



BERSERK BY KENTARO MIURA

BERSERK © Kentaro Miura / Hakusensha, Inc.



BERSERK BY KENTARO MIURA

BERSERK © Kentaro Miura / Haksensha, Inc.

破界王

27



三浦建太郎 KENTARO MIURA

BERSERK

BERSERK 27

BY

**KENTARO
MIURA**
三浦建太郎

TRANSLATION

DUANE JOHNSON

LETTERING AND RETOUCH

REPLIBOOKS



PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER
MIKE RICHARDSON

US EDITORS
CHRIS WARNER
FRED LUI

COLLECTION DESIGNER
DAVID NESTELLE

English-language version produced by
DARK HORSE COMICS and DIGITAL MANGA PUBLISHING.

BERSERK vol. 27 by KENTARO MIURA

© 2004 by Kentaro Miura. All rights reserved. First published in Japan in 2004 by HAKUSENSHA, INC., Tokyo. English-language translation rights in the United States of America and Canada arranged with HAKUSENSHA, INC., Tokyo, through TOHAN CORPORATION, Tokyo. English-language translation © 2009 by Dark Horse Comics, Inc. All other material © 2009 by Dark Horse Comics, Inc. Dark Horse Manga™ is a trademark of Dark Horse Comics, Inc. All rights reserved. No portion of this publication may be reproduced or transmitted, in any form or by any means, without the express written permission of the copyright holders. Names, characters, places, and incidents featured in this publication either are the product of the author's imagination or are used fictitiously. Any resemblance to actual persons (living or dead), events, institutions, or locales, without satiric intent, is coincidental. All rights reserved.

Dark Horse Manga
A division of Dark Horse Comics, Inc.
10956 SE Main Street
Milwaukie OR 97222

DarkHorse.com

To find a comics shop in your area, call the Comic
Shop Locator Service toll-free at 1-888-266-4226

First edition: January 2009

ISBN 978-1-59307-923-9

10 9 8 7 6
Printed in the United States of America

NEIL HANKERSON EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT • TOM WEDDLE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER • RANDY STRADLEY VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLISHING • MICHAEL MARTENS VICE PRESIDENT OF BOOK TRADE SALES • MATT PARKINSON VICE PRESIDENT OF MARKETING • DAVID SCROGGY VICE PRESIDENT OF PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT • DALE LAFOUNTAIN VICE PRESIDENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY • CARA NIECE VICE PRESIDENT OF PRODUCTION AND SCHEDULING • NICK McWHORTER VICE PRESIDENT OF MEDIA LICENSING • KEN LIZZI GENERAL COUNSEL • DAVE MARSHALL EDITOR IN CHIEF • DAVEY ESTRADA EDITORIAL DIRECTOR • SCOTT ALLIE EXECUTIVE SENIOR EDITOR • CHRIS WARNER SENIOR BOOKS EDITOR • CARY GRAZZINI DIRECTOR OF SPECIALTY PROJECTS • LIA RIBACCHI ART DIRECTOR • VANESSA TODD DIRECTOR OF PRINT PURCHASING • MATT DRYER DIRECTOR OF DIGITAL ART AND PREPRESS • MARK BERNARDI DIRECTOR OF DIGITAL PUBLISHING • SARAH ROBERTSON DIRECTOR OF PRODUCT SALES • MICHAEL COMBOS DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHING AND LICENSING

BERSERK

ベルセルク②⑦

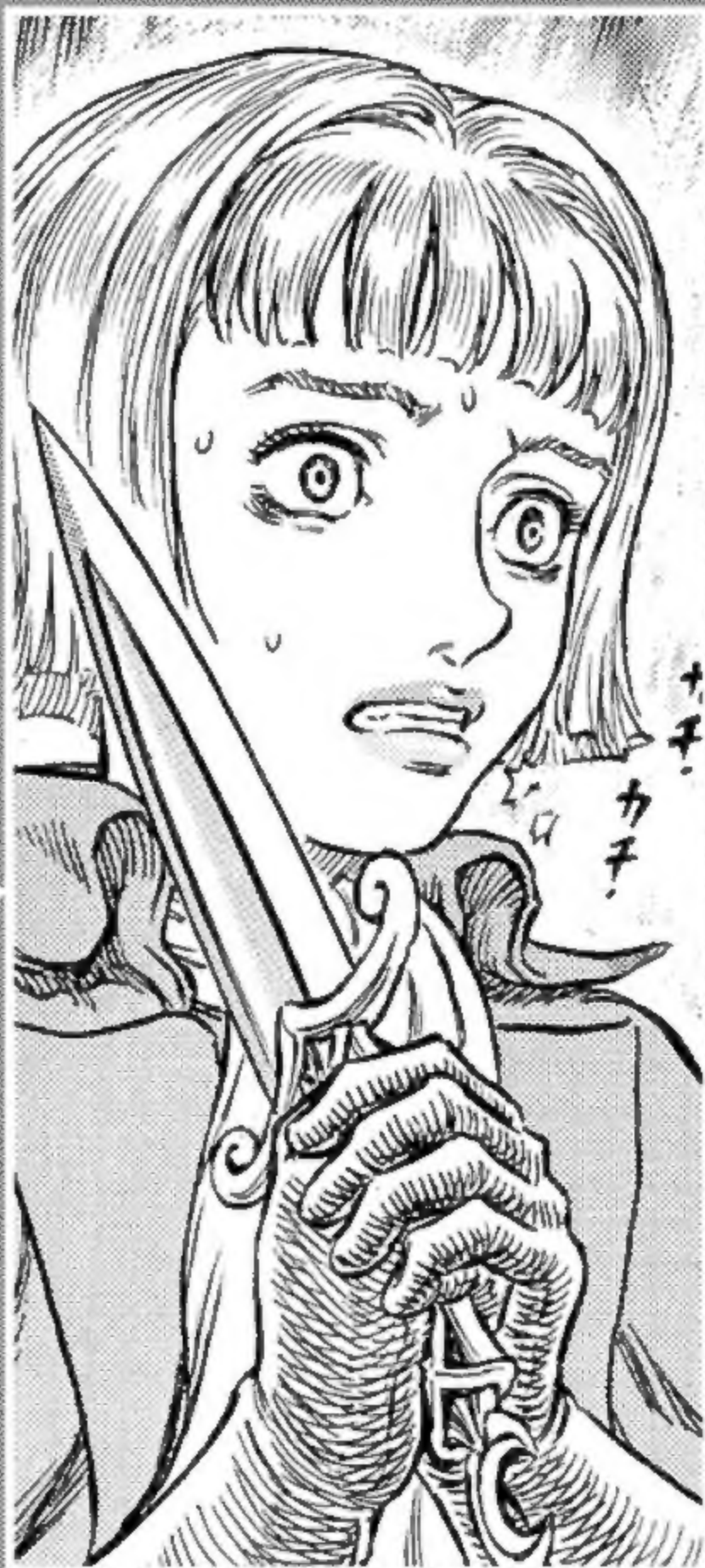


三浦建太郎



キャスカ Casca

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk—mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her Brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.



ファルネーゼ Farnese

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival and about the reality of the world.



ガッツ Guts

The Black Swordsman. He exists in the Interstice, his soul constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.



イシドロ Isidro

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.



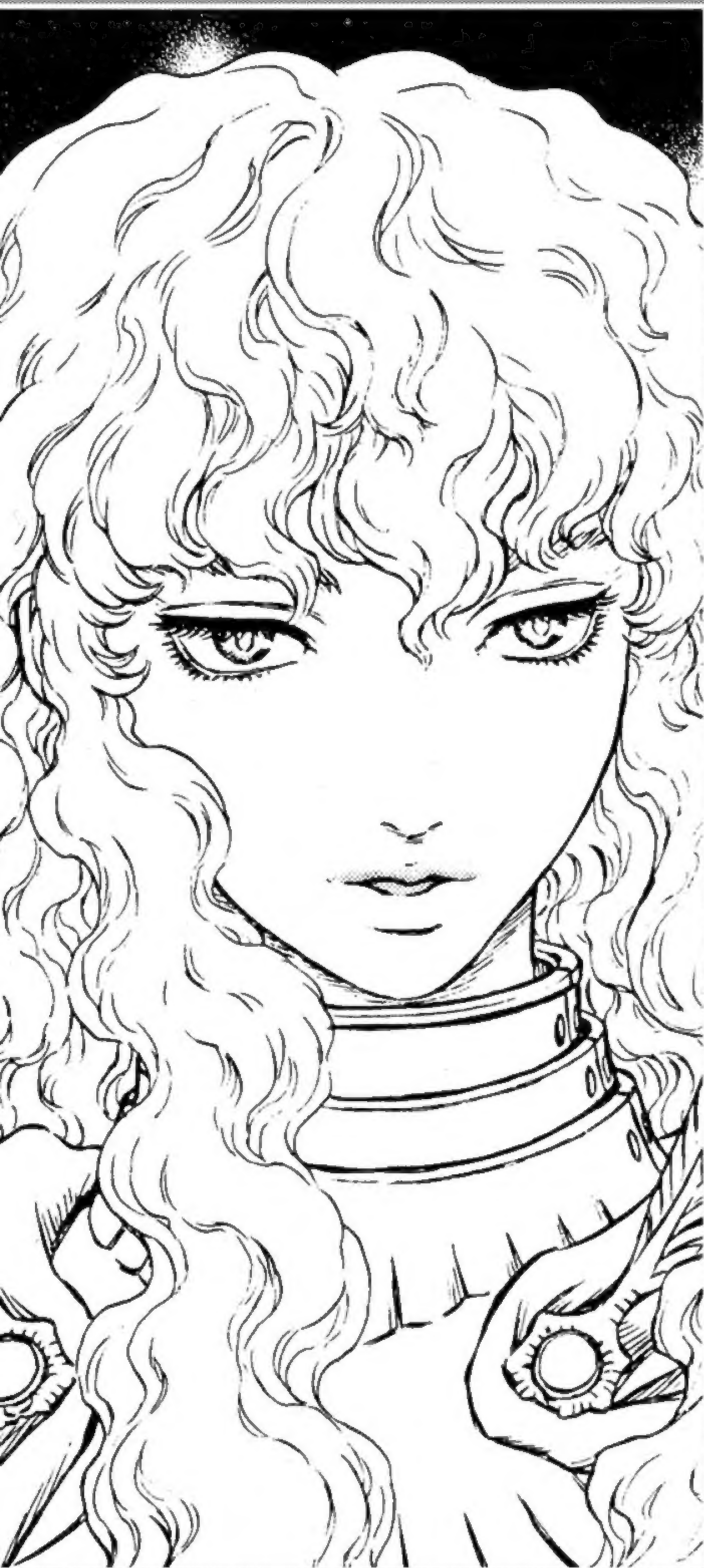
バック Puck

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. Also, he recently confirmed that he's a wind spirit, one of the four types of elementals.



セルピコ Serpico

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother; however, she is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting and is currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



シールケ Schierke

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies.



グリフィス Griffith

Through the Eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal.

ゾッド Zodd

Nosferatu Zodd, the apostle with two names. He was unrivaled in his thirst for battle against the strong. But, defeated by Griffith, he is now part of the new Band of the Hawk.



27

CONTENTS

FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER

FIRE DRAGON.....	7
THE DEPTHS OF HELLFIRE.....	29
DEPARTURE OF FLAME.....	49
DEMON CITY.....	71
DREAD EMPEROR	91
THE DAKA	113
DEMON KNIGHTS.....	133
DEMON GOD	155
THE SLEEPING PRINCESS AWAKENS.....	175

FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC FALCONIA CHAPTER

THE SOUND OF THE SEA	197
----------------------------	-----

火 竜

FIRE DRAGON



120
*GROLL

AT MY LEVEL,
THE FORCE OF HIS
OD IS TOO INTENSE
FOR THOUGHT
TRANSFERENCE TO
GET THROUGH.

I CAN'T.

WHAT'S
GOIN' ON
WITH
GLTS...?

WH...





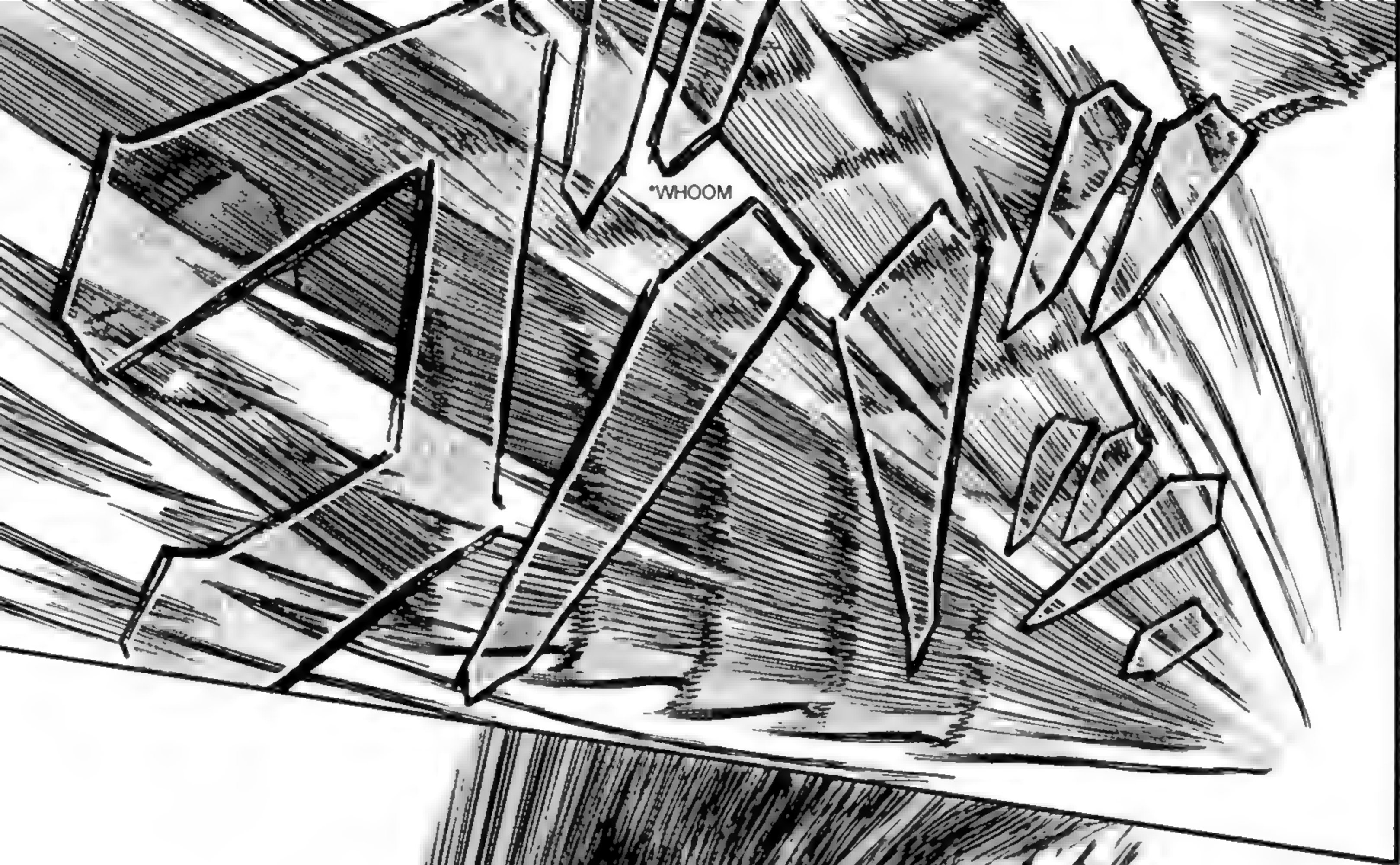
**OUR
ARCH-
ENEMY!!**

**WELL
DONE,
BLACK
SWORDS-
MAN!!**

*HURL

**NOW
TASTE
THE
POWER...**

**...OF MY
STRIKE!!**





*GONNG

WHAT
...?



*FX: HYNHN

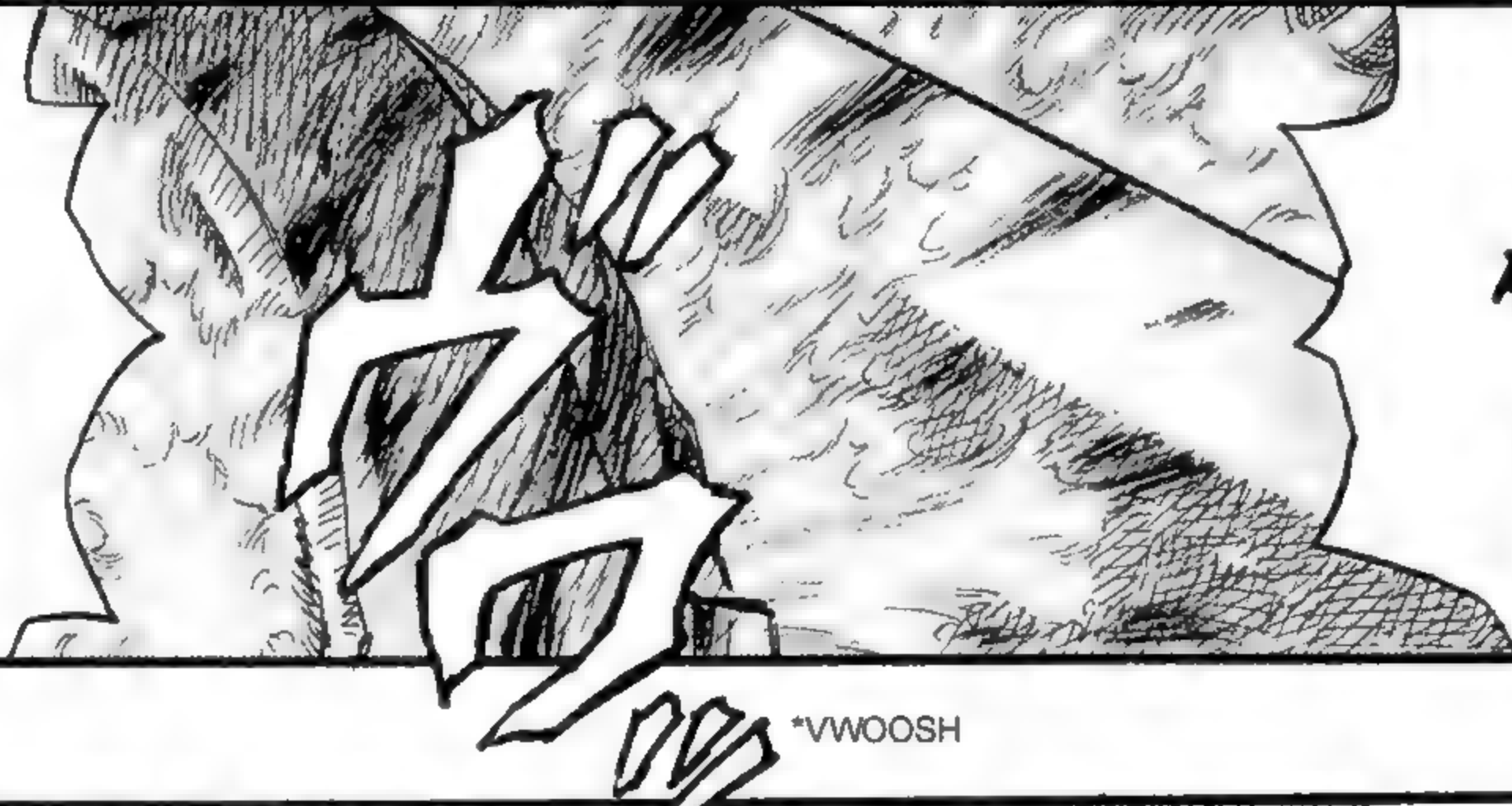






**YOU
ARE THE
VICTOR!!**

**MAGNIFI-
CENT...!!**



**NO,
YOU'RE A
SUPERB
WARRIOR,
AND YOU
EXCEED
THEM!!**

**THE
RUMORS
LIED
NOT...!!**

***VWOOSH**



**FOR MY
MASTER.**

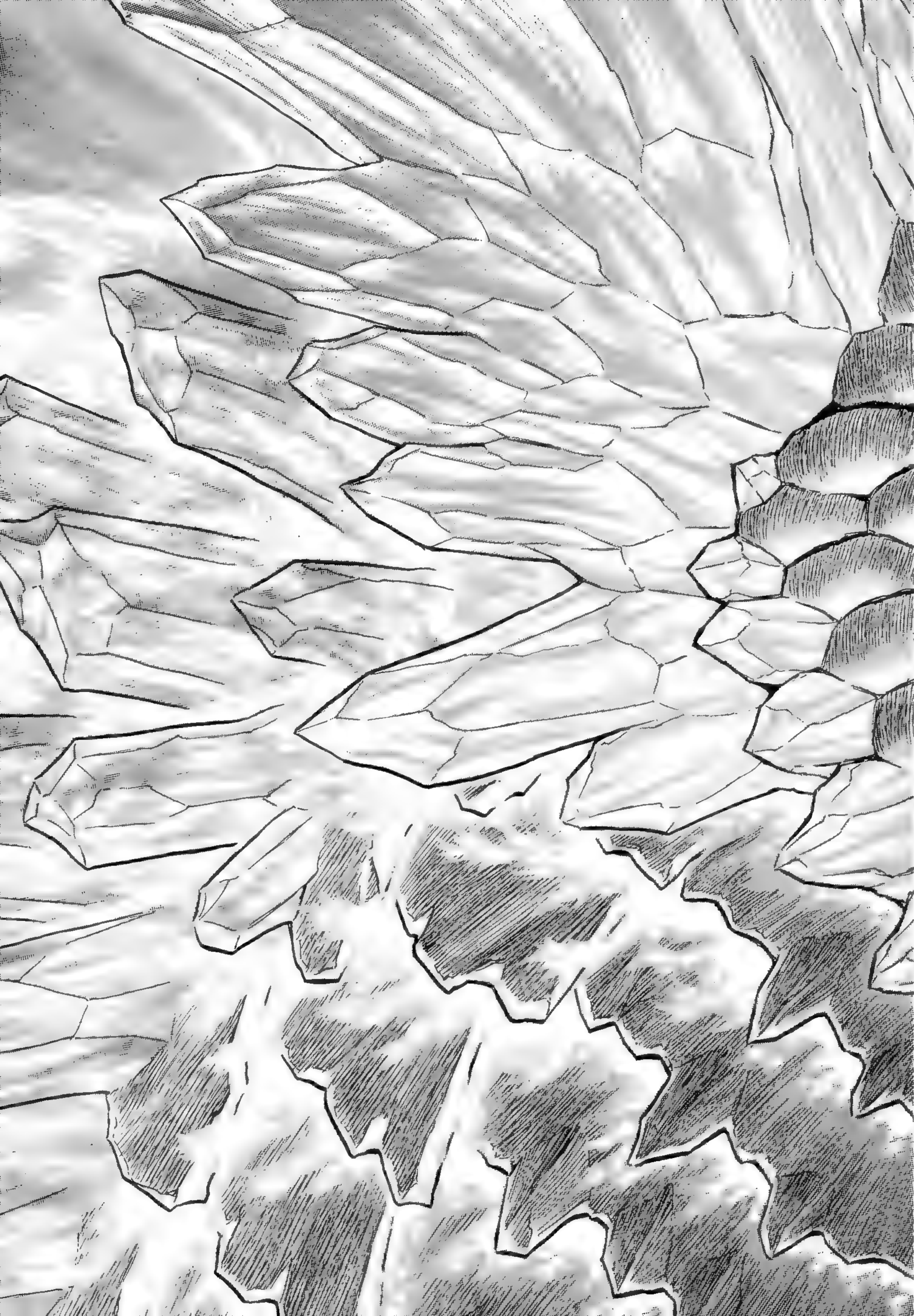
**BUT MY
MISSION
LIES
AHEAD...**

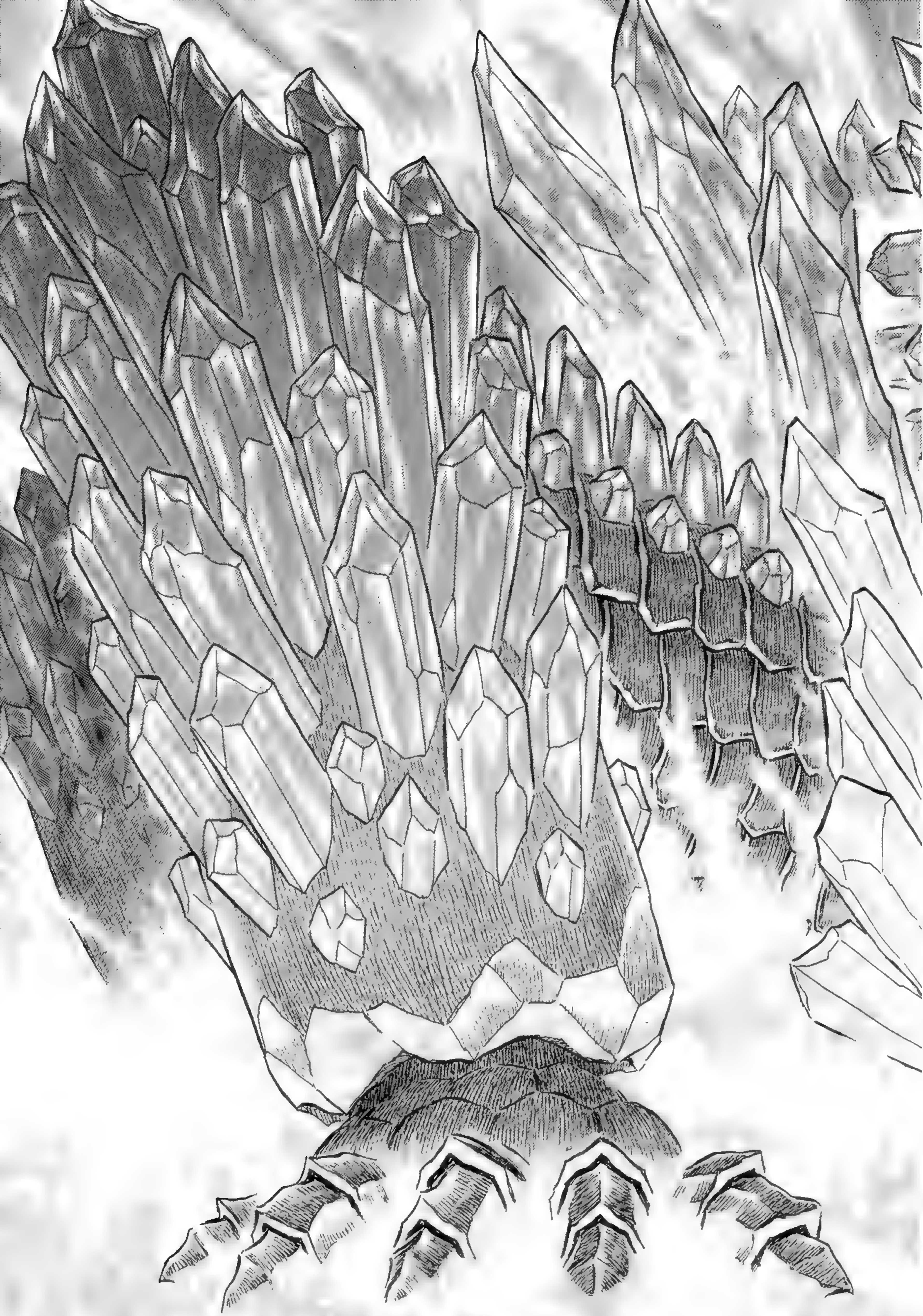
***WHOM**



**...I SHALL
FINISH
YOU!!!**

**AS AN
APOSTLE
OF THE
HAWK OF
LIGHT...**







D-
D-RA...

DORAE-
MON...

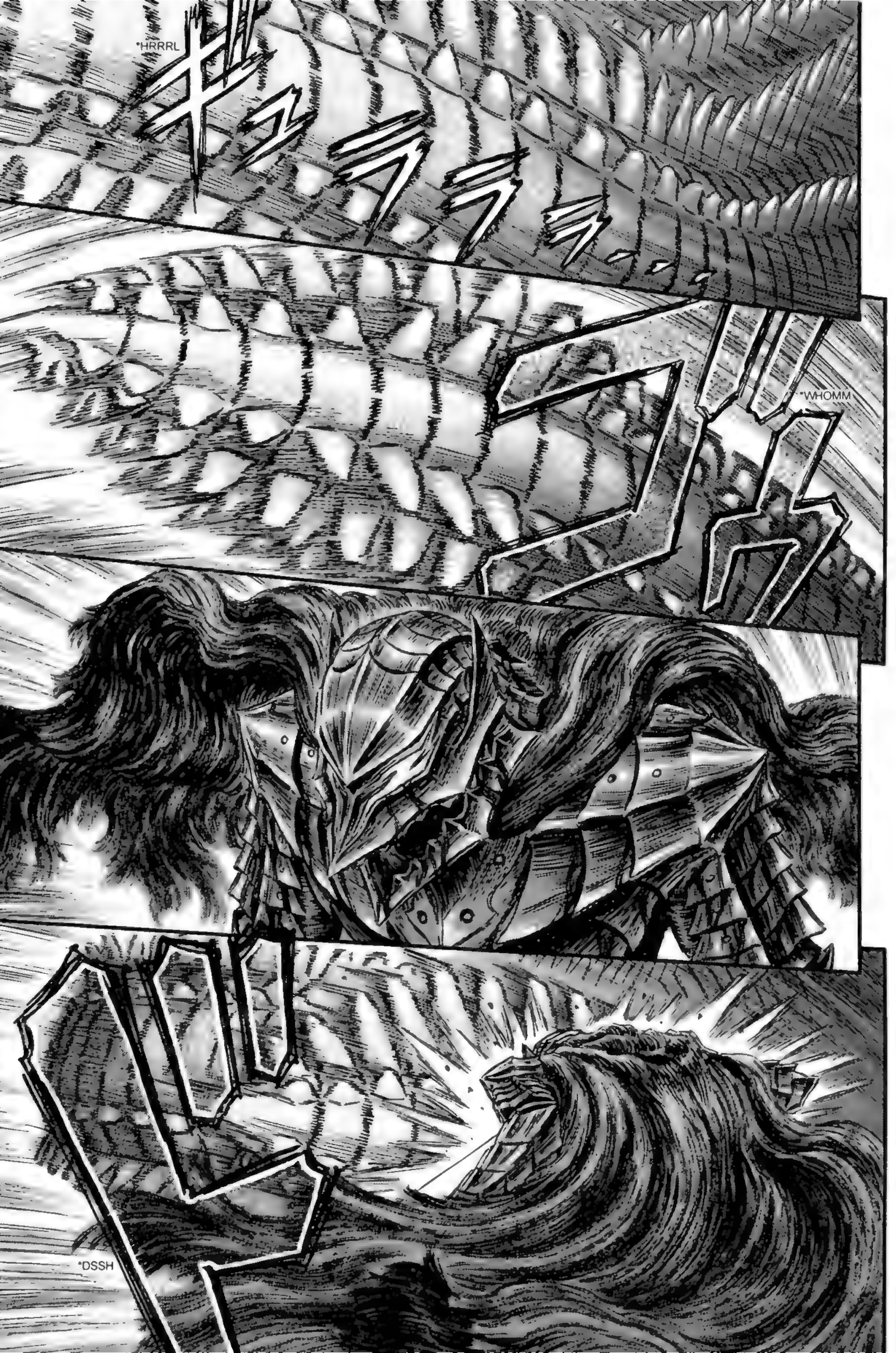


OHNNNN

DRAGON!

...AND LAY
LOW THE
BLACK
SWORDS-
MAN!!!

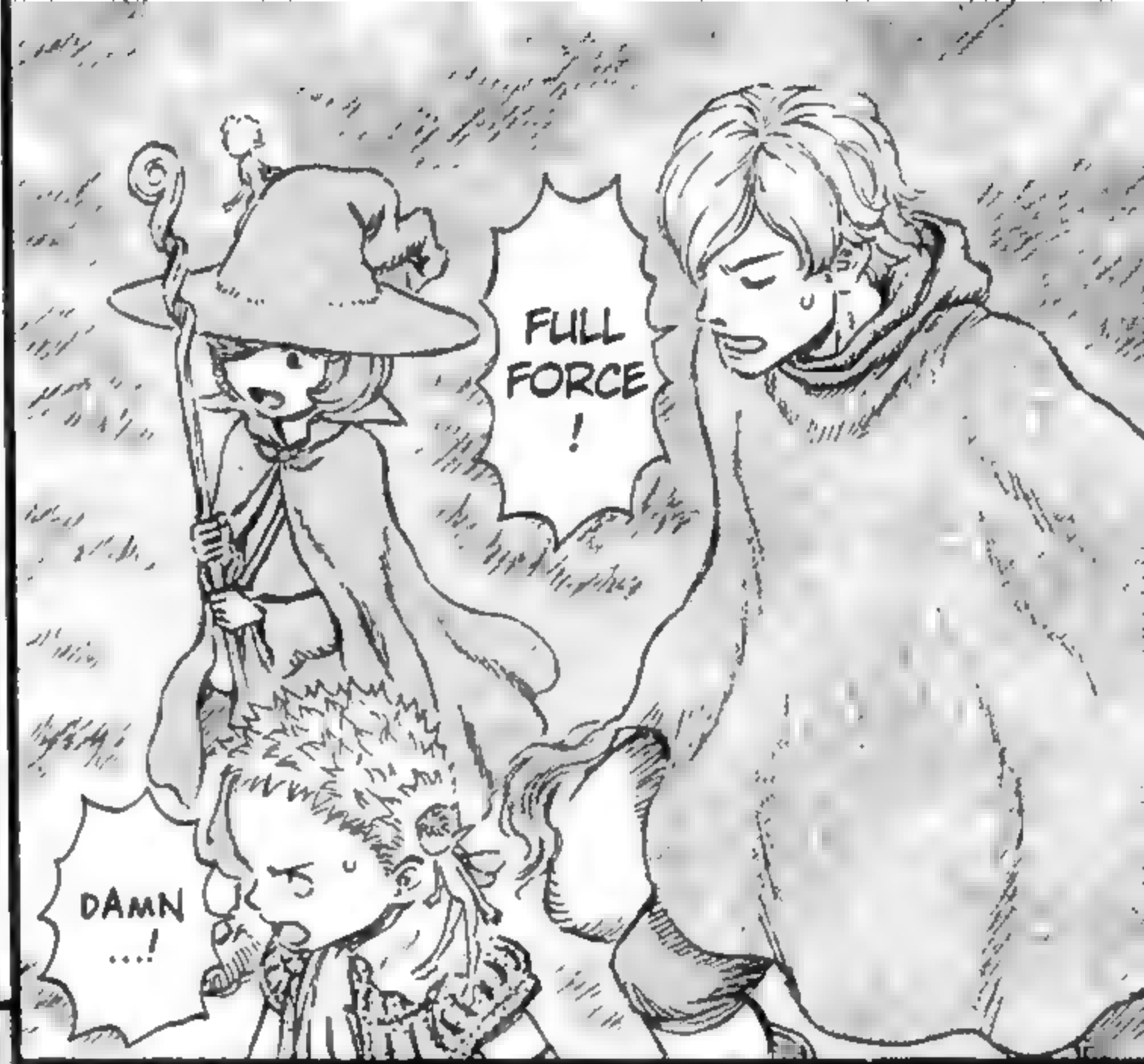
I SHALL USE
THIS POWER
GRANTED
TO ME AS AN
APOSTLE...



*HRRRL

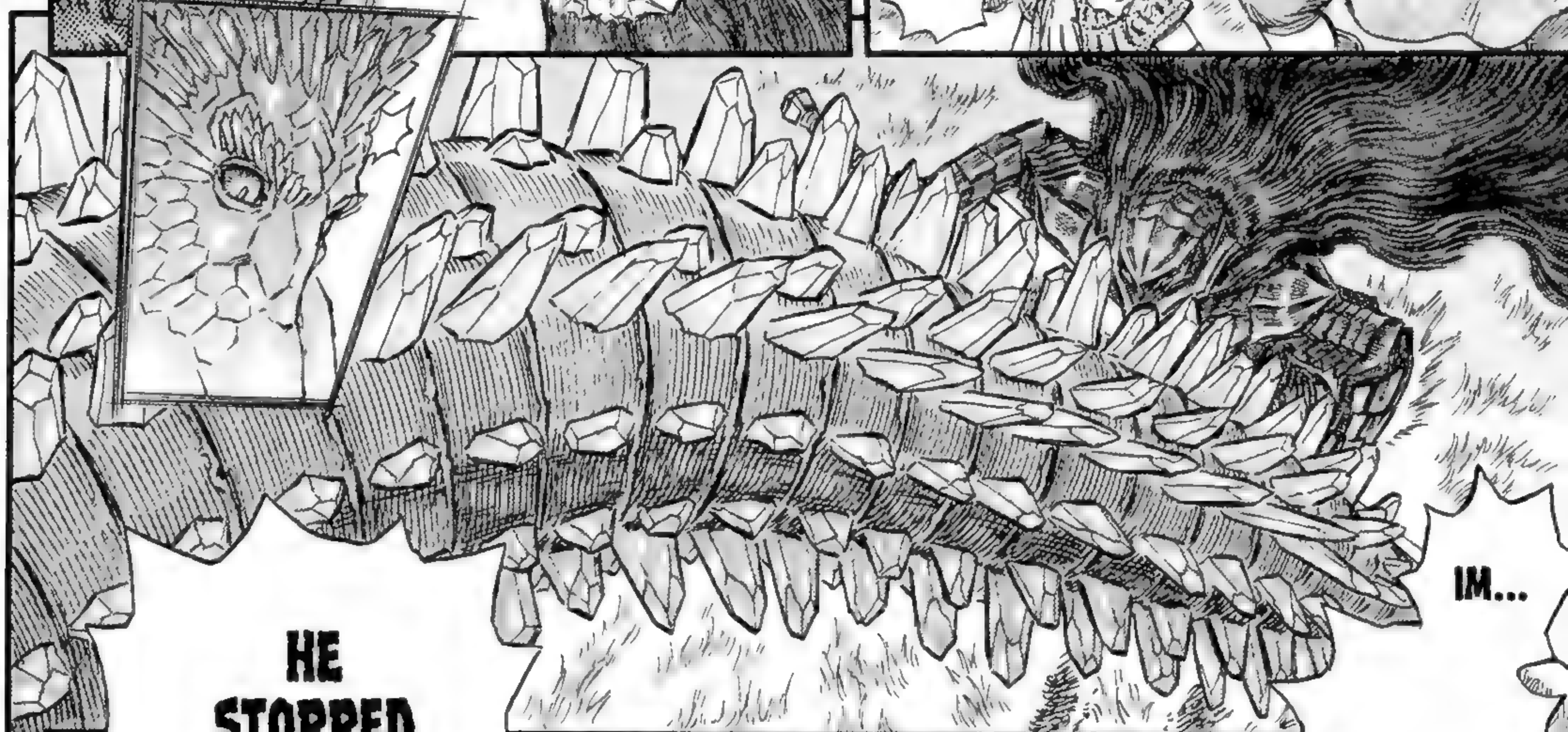
*WHOMM

*DSSH



FULL
FORCE
!

DAMN
....!



HE
STOPPED
IT...?!

IM...

IMPOSSIBLE
...!!

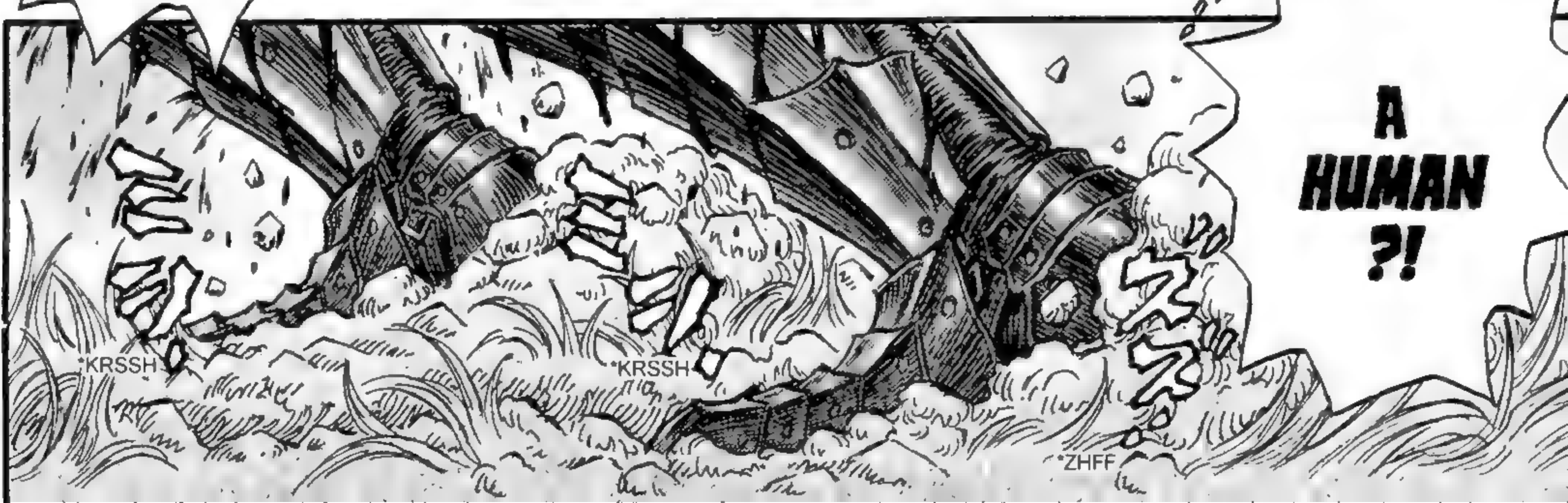
AN
APOSTLE'S
ATTACK...?



*STRAIN

*STRAIN

*FX: VSSSH



A
HUMAN
?!

*KRSSH

*KRSSH

*ZHFF





WRONK

*FX: BRORRR



*ZHOK



*FX: CLATA



...HAS
BEEN
CRACKED
?!

IT'S NOT
POSSIBLE!!

MY SKIN OF
CORUNDUM,
STRONGER
THAN EVEN
STEEL...





*RORLLL



*KRANK

*SHNK



ビキキ

*HRRRN



ゴキ

ゴキ

*FX: CHOK CHOK



ゴキ

*FX: VASSH

*FX: SQUENCH



...BY
PIERCING
THROUGH
HIS
FLESH...

THE ARMOR IS
REINFORCING
HIS BROKEN
LIMBS...

...AND
BITING
INTO HIS
BONES.



IT IS THE
ARMOR'S
POWER.

WH-WHOA...
WEREN'T HIS
ARM AND LEG
JUST FACIN'
THE WRONG
WAY?

UGH,
LOVELY.

WOOF



...AS HE
CONTINUED FIGHTING,
UNTIL THE LAST OF
HIS BLOOD GUSHED
FORTH FROM
WHERE HIS BONES
WERE BROKEN.



I HEARD
THE PREVIOUS
OWNER OF
THE ARMOR
WAS SIMILARLY
DEVLOURED
BY ITS STEEL
TEETH...



C'MON!
LET'S FLEE
WHILE HE'S
Distracting!

WHAT DO
I DO...?

WHAP
WHAP

IT'S MY
FAULT...
AGAIN...



I-IT WAS
A NOBLE
SACRIFICE
SO HIS
COMPANIONS
COULD LIVE!

IN THAT CASE,
LET'S SCRAM,
SO HIS DEATH'S
NOT IN VAIN...

WHA
--?

WHY'D
YOU PUT
SOMETHIN'
LIKE THAT
ON GLITS
WHEN HE'S
NEAR DEAD
ANYWAY?!

...



WHY A
THING LIKE
THAT...?!

MISTRESS,
WHY?!



...MUST I
DO?

WHAT...



YOU
WILL DEAL
WITH IT.

YOU NOW
APPRECIATE
YOUR INEXPE-
RIENCE AND
THE DANGER
OF DROWNING
IN POWER...

BUT
I...

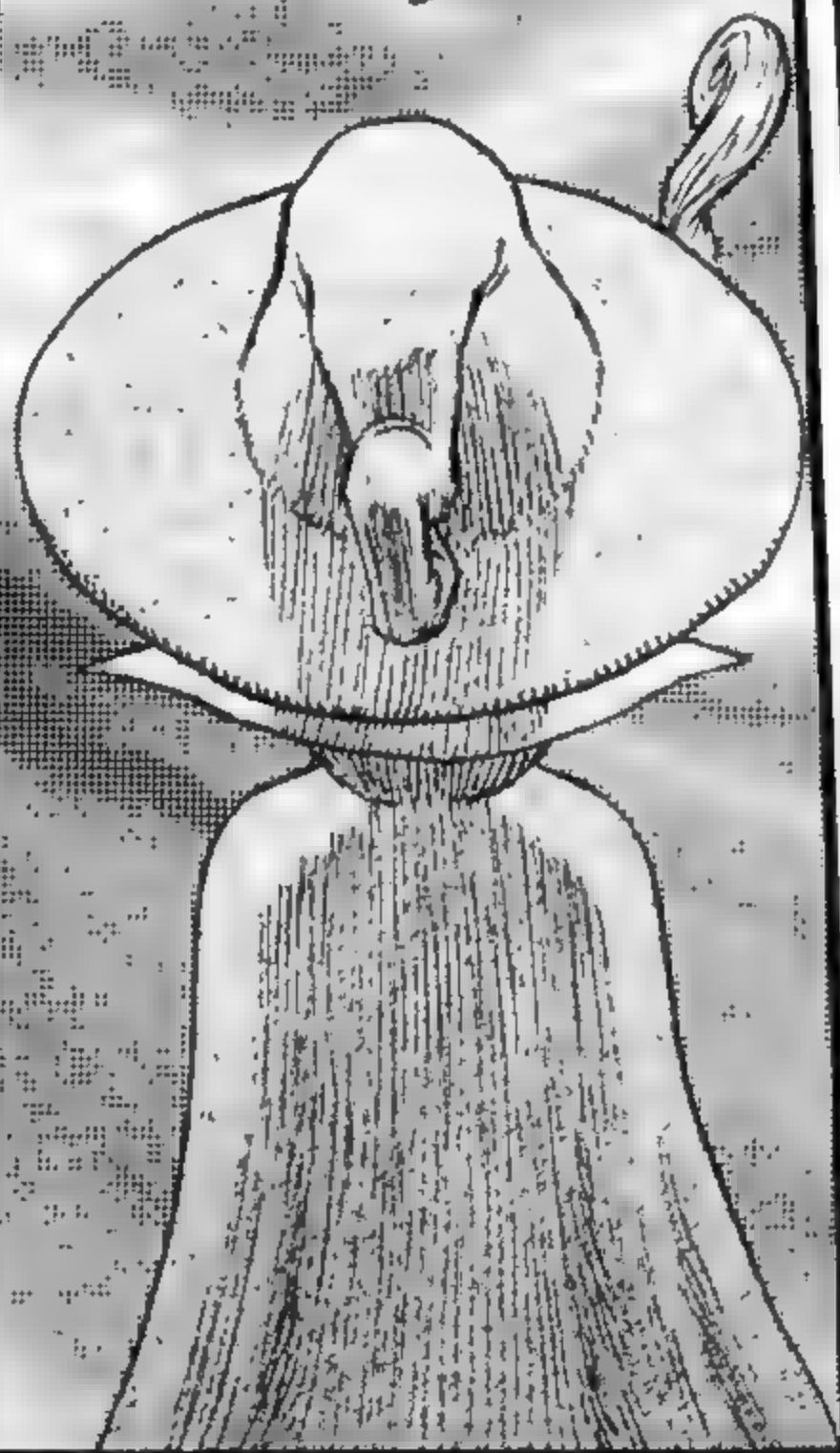


...AM
STILL A
NOVICE.

I AM
UPSET...

...AND MY
MAGIC...

FOR
THIS VERY
REASON,
IT SHOULD
BE POSSIBLE
FOR YOU.



**MISTRESS
!!**

IT IS
SOMETHING
THAT
ONLY YOU,
BEING A
WITCH,
CAN DO.



YOU WILL
SHOW
HIM THE
WAY.

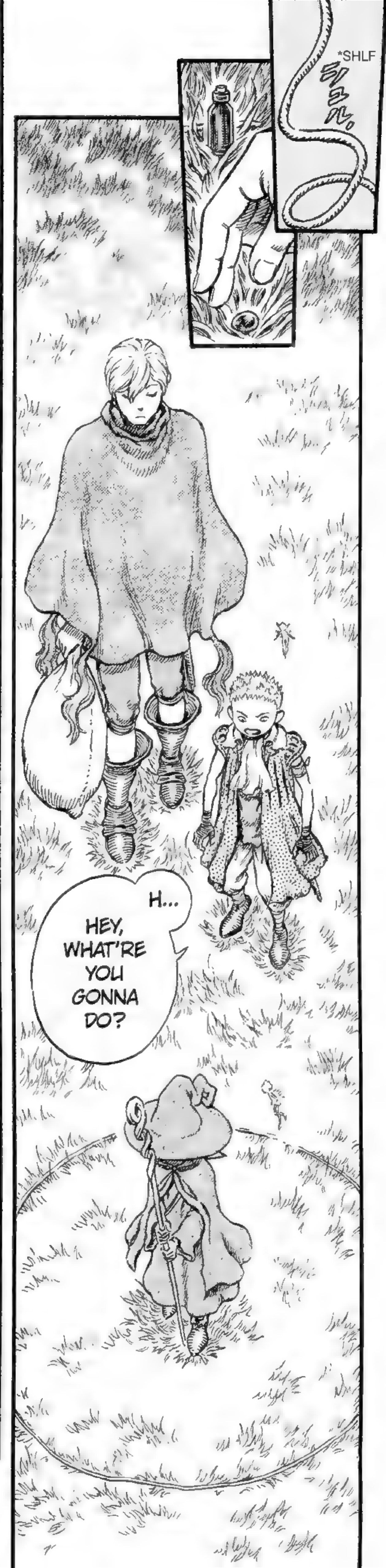
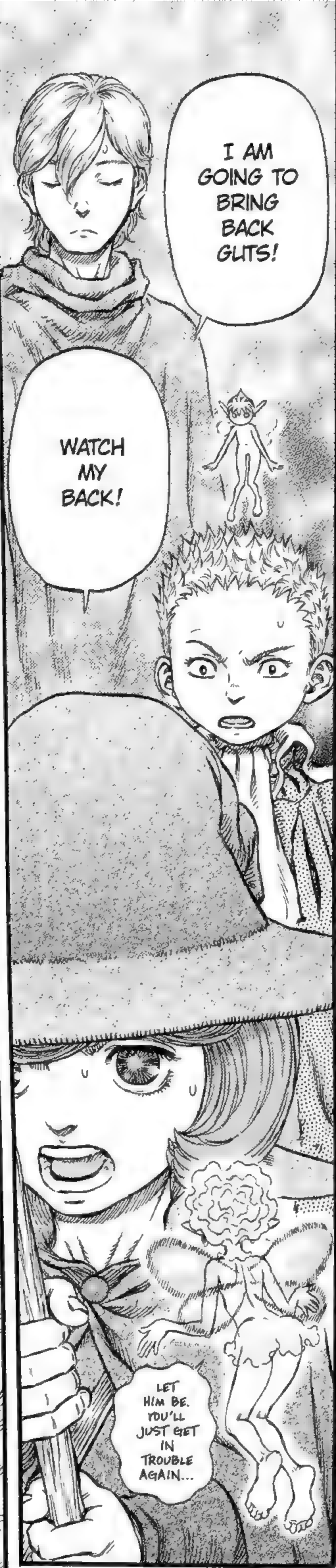
THIS
SWORDSMAN,
LOST IN THE
TURBULENCE
OF POWER...



THE DEPTHS
OF HELLFIRE

業火の底

BERSEKER



I
WILL...

*HHSSS

アハハハ。

I WILL
TRY,
MISTRESS.

*FX RRLL

...REACH
HIM...!!

ル
ル
ル
ル
ル

ゴォォォォォォォォ

*BROARRRR

WHAT
THE HELL
ARE
YOU...?!

...AND
EVEN
WOUND
ME?!

TO WITHSTAND
TWO ATTACKS
FROM MY
TRUE APOSTLE
FORM...

UNBELIEV-
ABLE!!

SIR
FIRE
DRA-
GON.

*GCHAK

*GCHAK

YOU
SEEM TO
BE HAVIN'
A HARD
TIME.

WE HAD
NO LUCK
HUNTIN'
DOWN
THAT WITCH,
AND NOW
WE'RE
REALLY
BORED.

LET US
JOIN IN.

YOU
GRUNTS...

*FX: GZHH GZHH

...YOU
SHOULDN'T
REALLY
MIND...

HEY, IF IT AIN'T
ONE ON ONE
ANYMORE, AS
AN APOSTLE...

*FX: GZHH GZHH



SHOUL--!



Ogh...

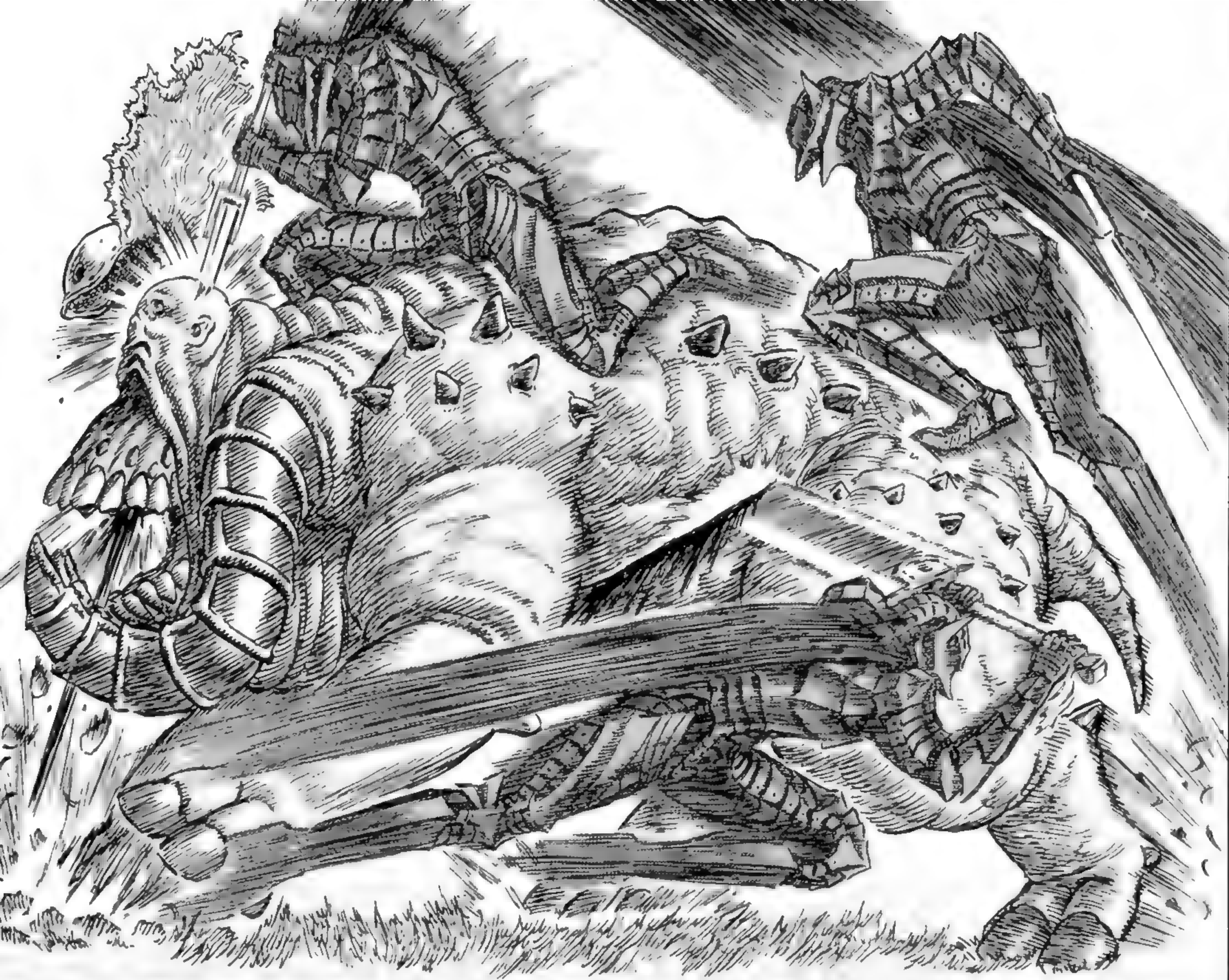
*SHHHRAP

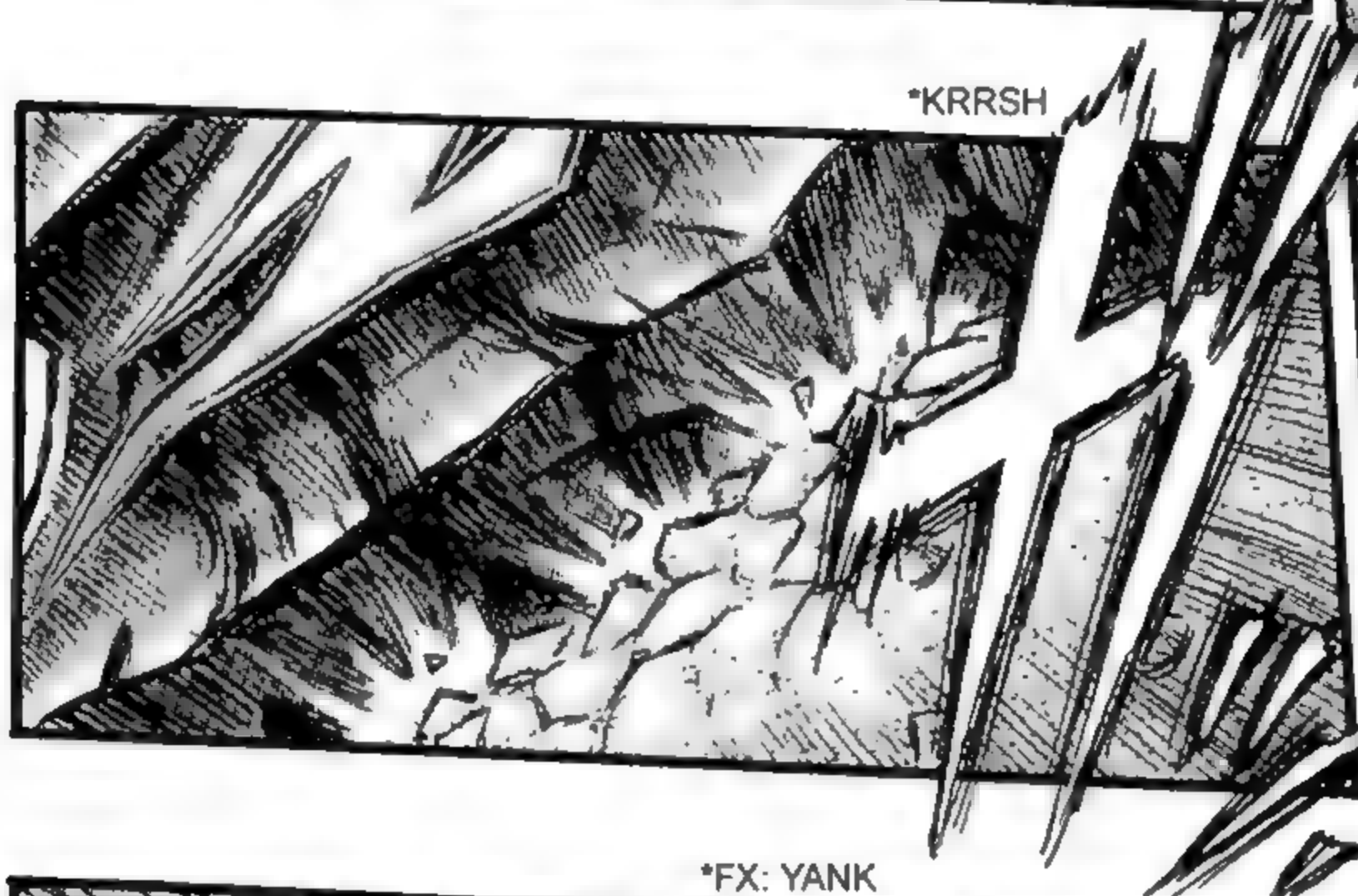


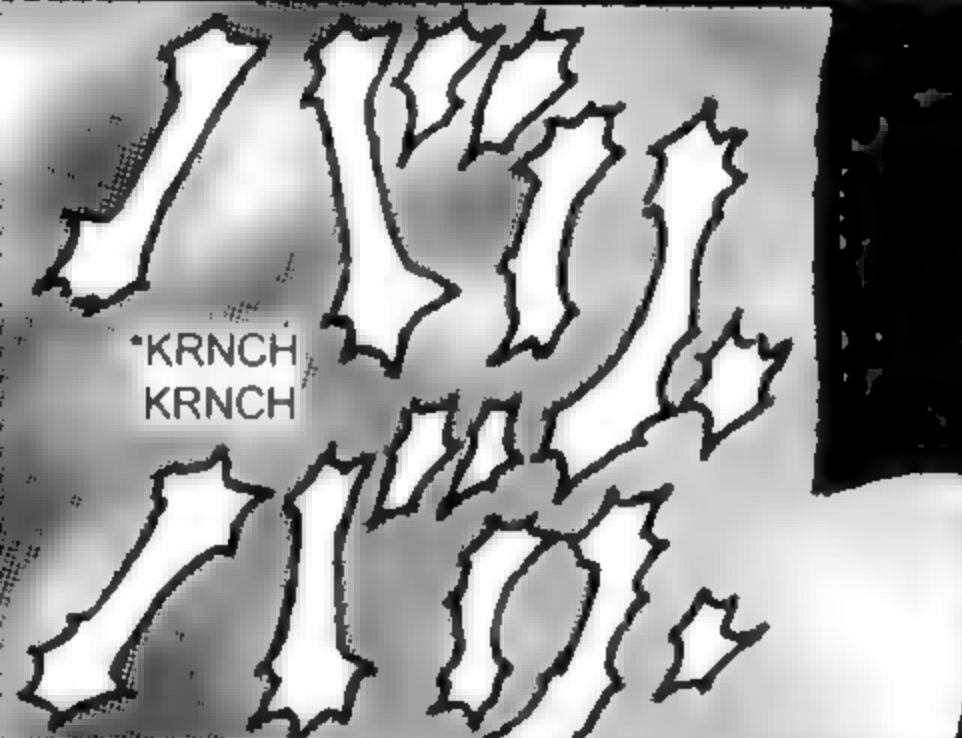
*LUNGE

THEY
WERE
TRANS-
FORMIN'
...!

N-NO
FAIR!



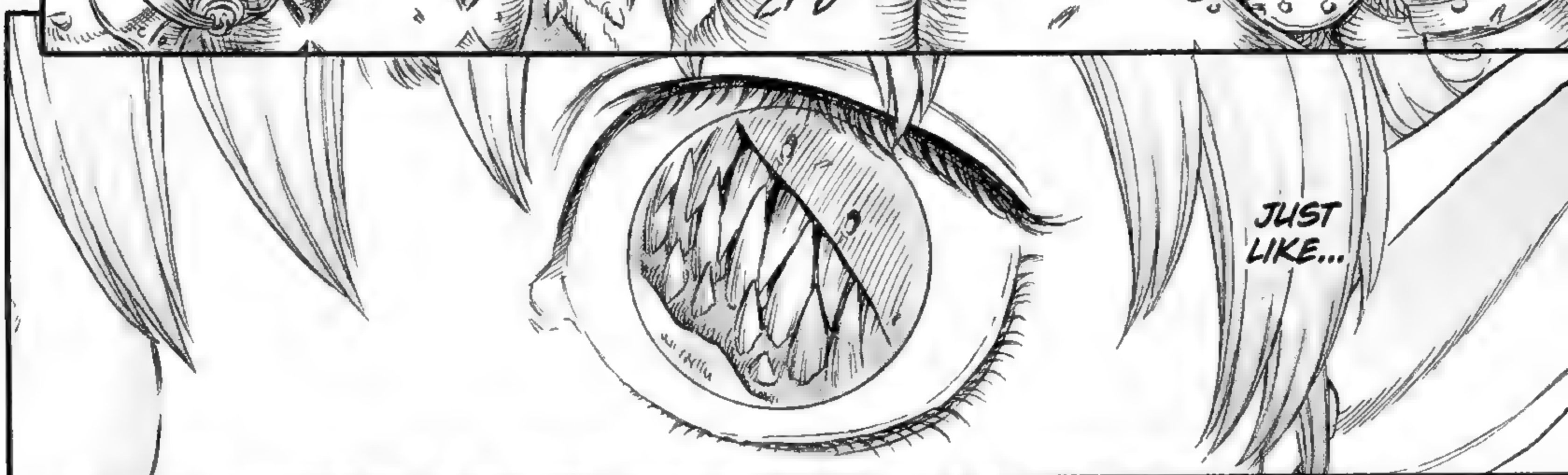




IT'S JUST
LIKE...



YEAH...





THESE
...

...FLAMES
...

ANGER.

THIS IS
THE HATEFUL
TURBULENCE
THAT FLOWS
DEEP WITHIN
THE ARMOR.

IF A TYPICAL
HUMAN BEING
WERE SIMILARLY
CONSUMED,
THEIR EGO
WOULD
SHATTER...

WILL
I MAKE
IT IN
TIME?



*RORRRRR



ゴ
ゴ

ゴ
*GOHHHHH



*GOHHHHH

ゴ
ゴ



THAT'S
--!!



CAN I
DO THIS?!
CAN I
RESCUE HIM
FROM SUCH
TURBULENT
RAGE...?

THAT'S THE
IMAGE GLTS
PROJECTS
WHEN HE'S
CLAD IN THE
OD OF THE
ARMOR.

GLTS IS
INSIDE IT...

IF
I'M NOT
CAREFUL,
I'LL BE
SWEEP
AWAY,
TOO...

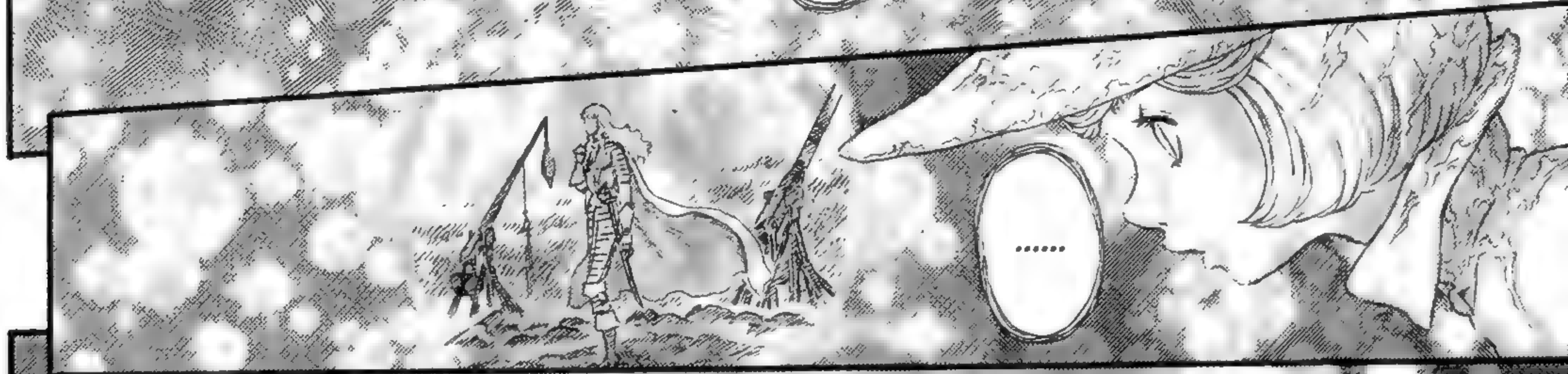
THERE IS
NO TIME TO
HESITATE.



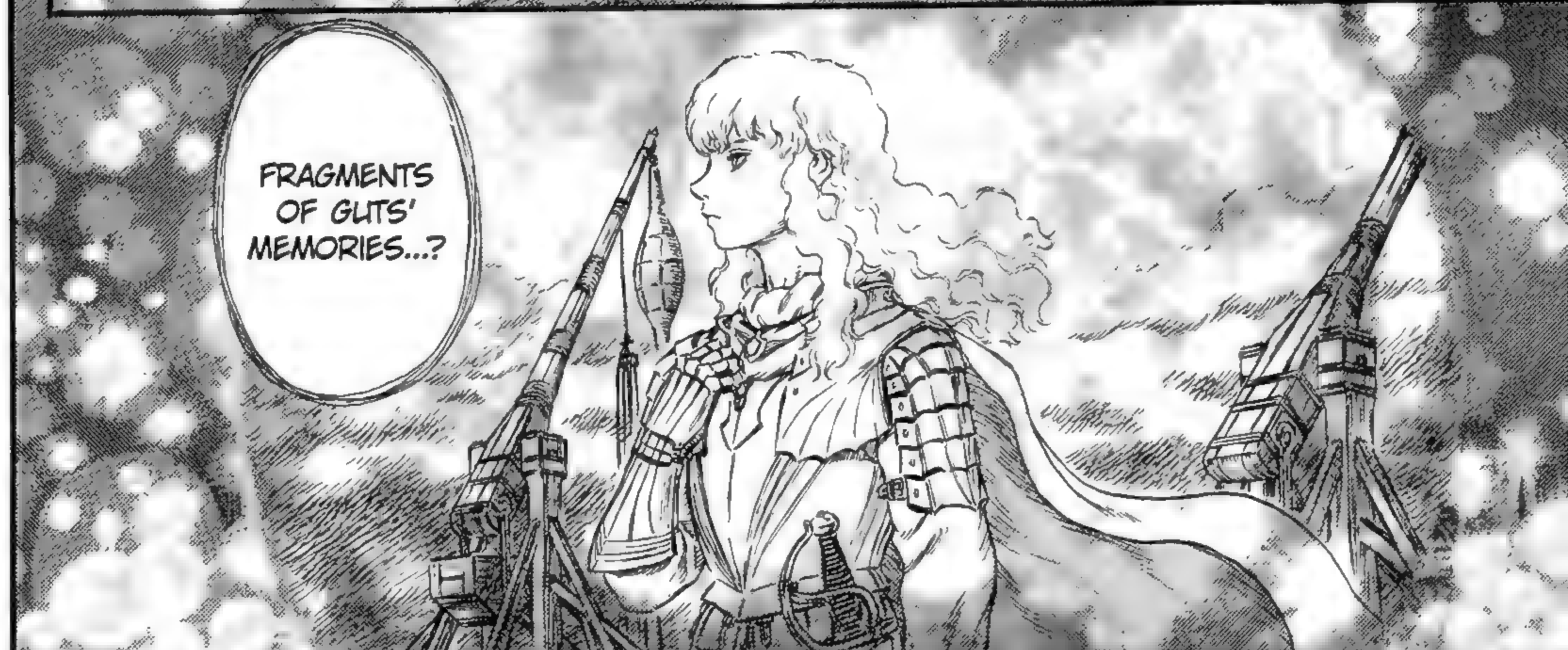
*RORRRRRR



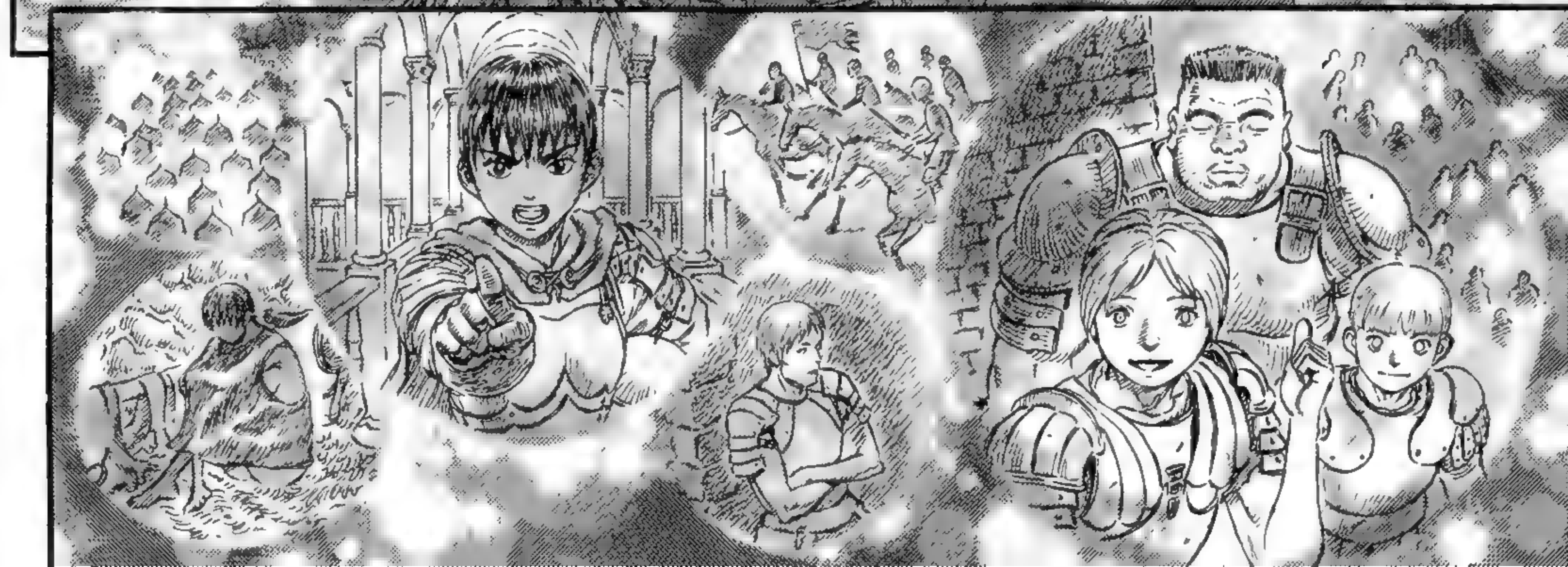
LIGHTS...



.....



FRAGMENTS
OF GLTS'
MEMORIES...?





...JUST
LIKE LAMP-
LIGHTS.

THEY
ARE...



*FX: ZMZMZMZM

*FWOOSH

?!

DARKNESS
...?!





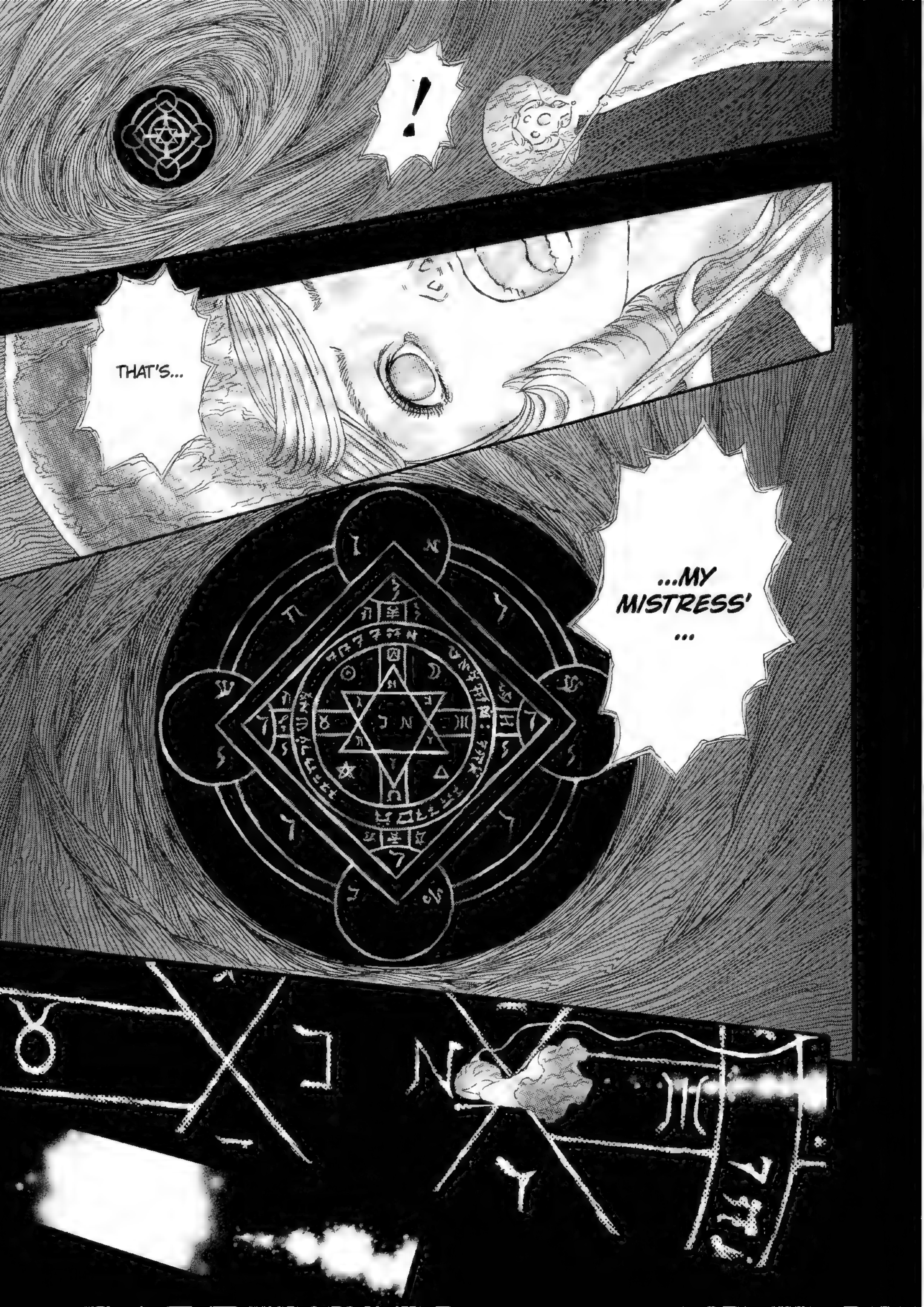
NOOO!

WHAT
?!

HORRI-
BLE...

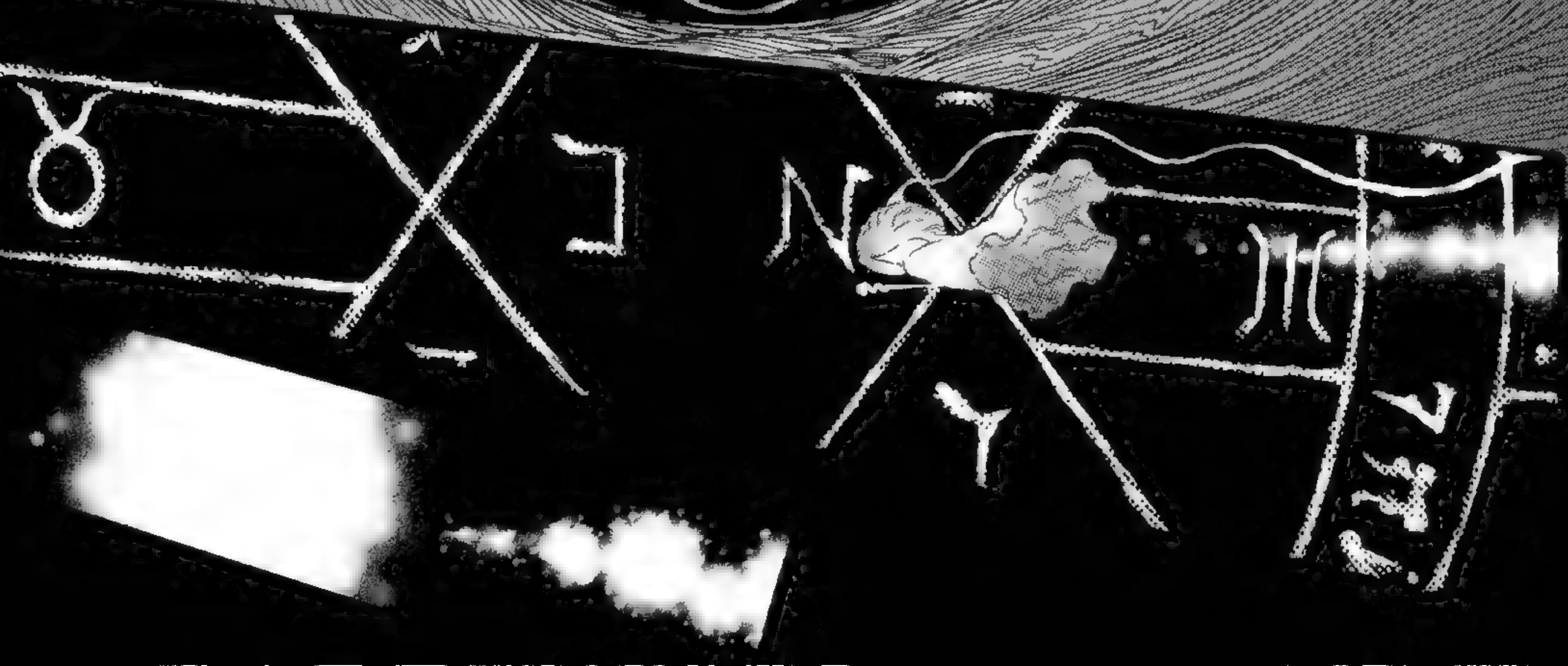
BEING
ENGLUFED
...

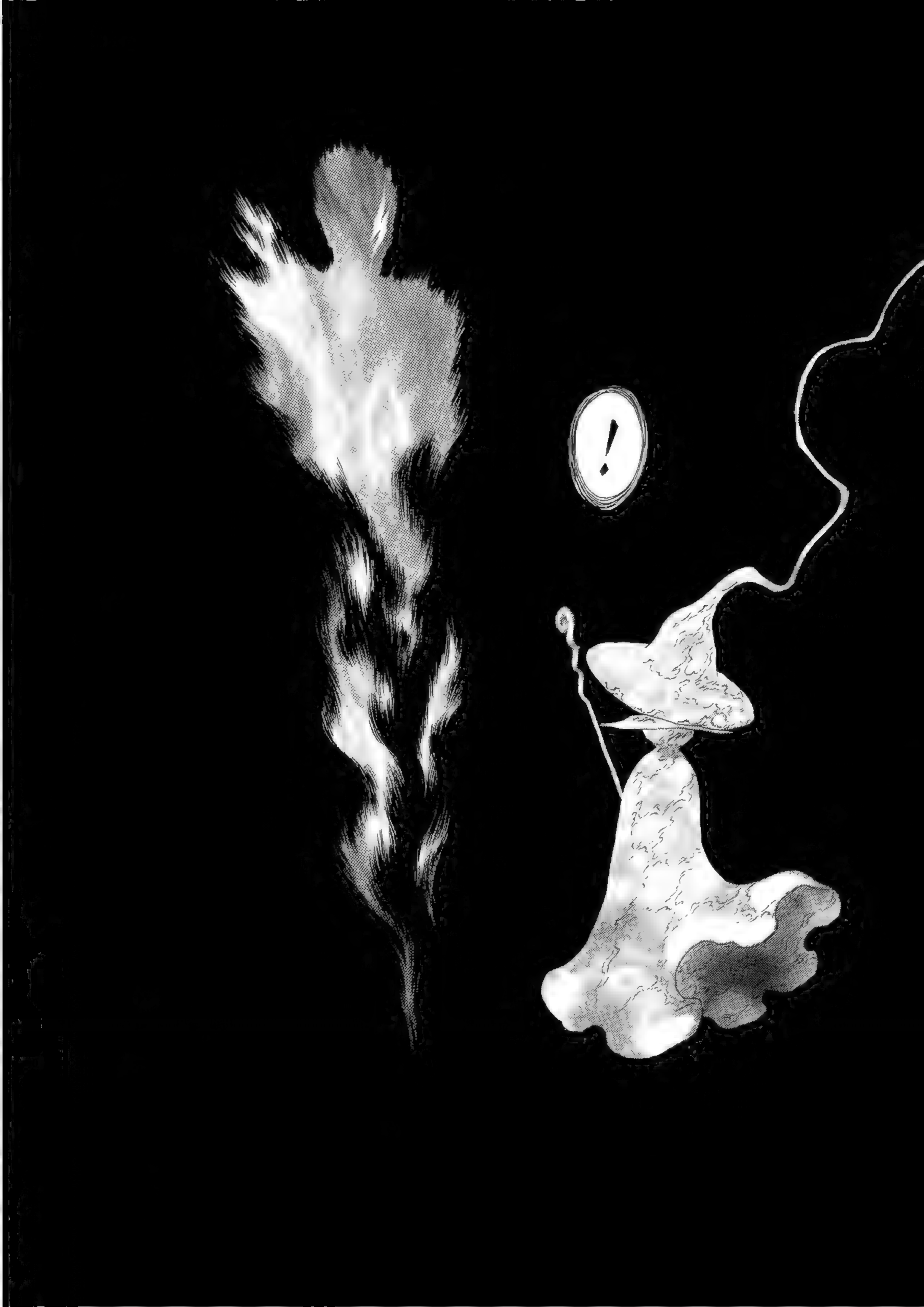
MIS-
TRESS
...!!



THAT'S...

...MY
MISTRESS'
...





炎の旅立ち

DEPARTURE OF FLAME

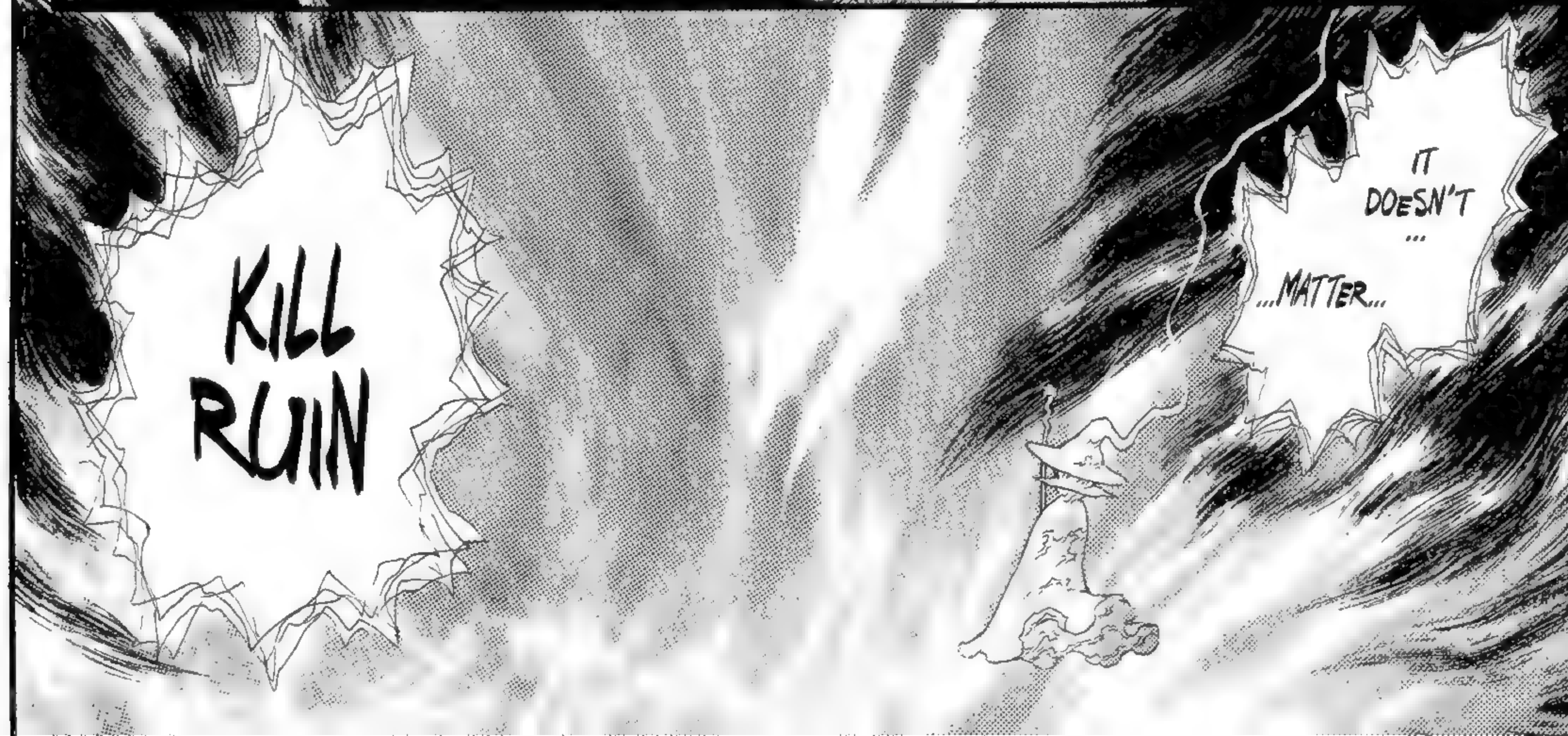
WHAT'S
THIS...?

THIS IS
GLITS'
EGO.

I SEE.

...HIS EGO
AGAINST
COLLAPSE.

MY MISTRESS'
TALISMAN WAS
GUARDING...



**A HUMAN
SOUL
WOULDN'T
BECOME THIS
TATTERED
OVER SOME-
THING THAT
DOESN'T
MATTER!**

**OF
COURSE IT
MATTERS!**

**REMEM-
BER!**

**IT'S
HOT...**

**THE
REASON
YOU'RE
FIGHTING
NOW!**

**THE
REASON
YOU
JOURNEY...**

**MURDER
WAR**

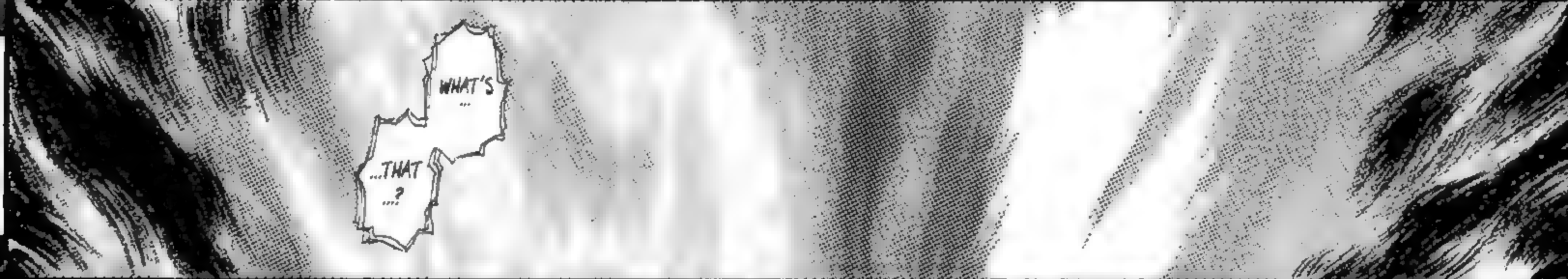
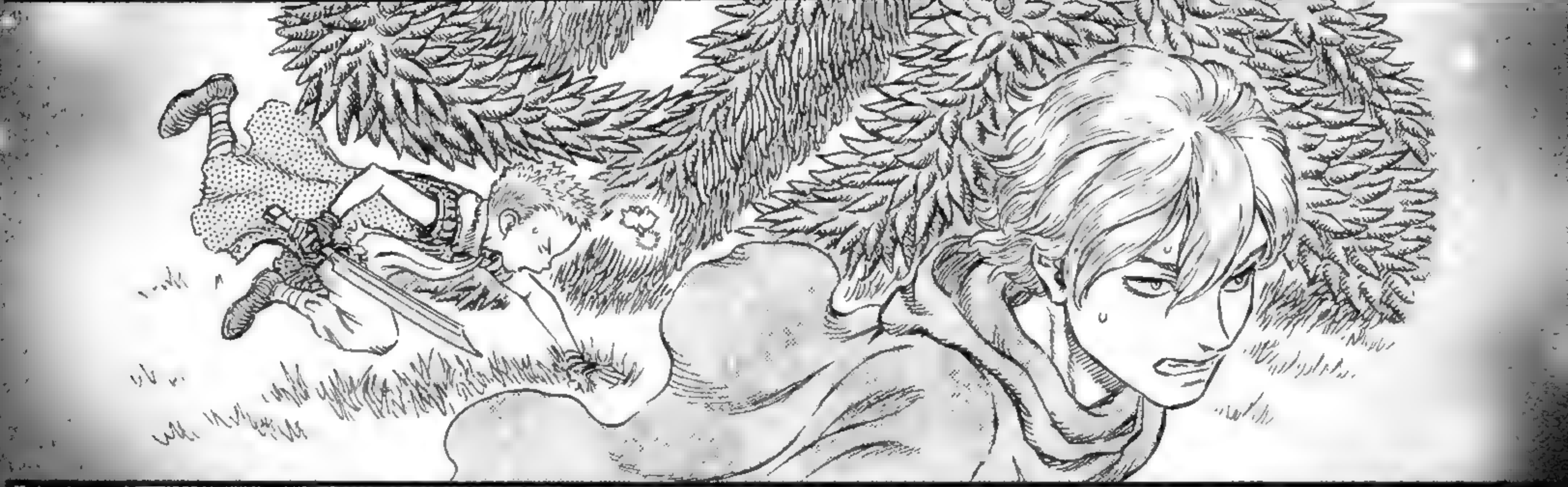
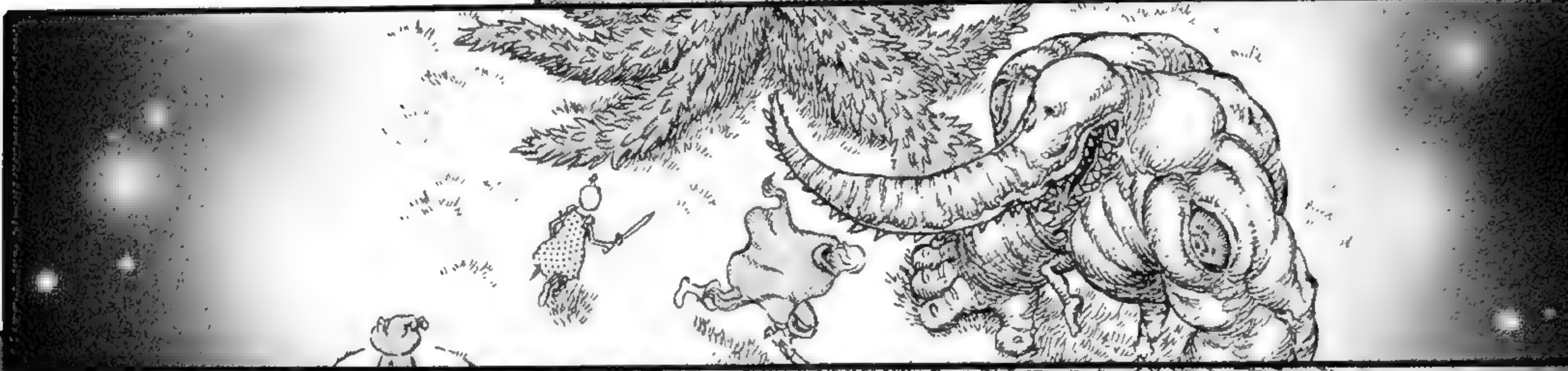
**FOE
APOSTLE**

**FOE
FRIEND**

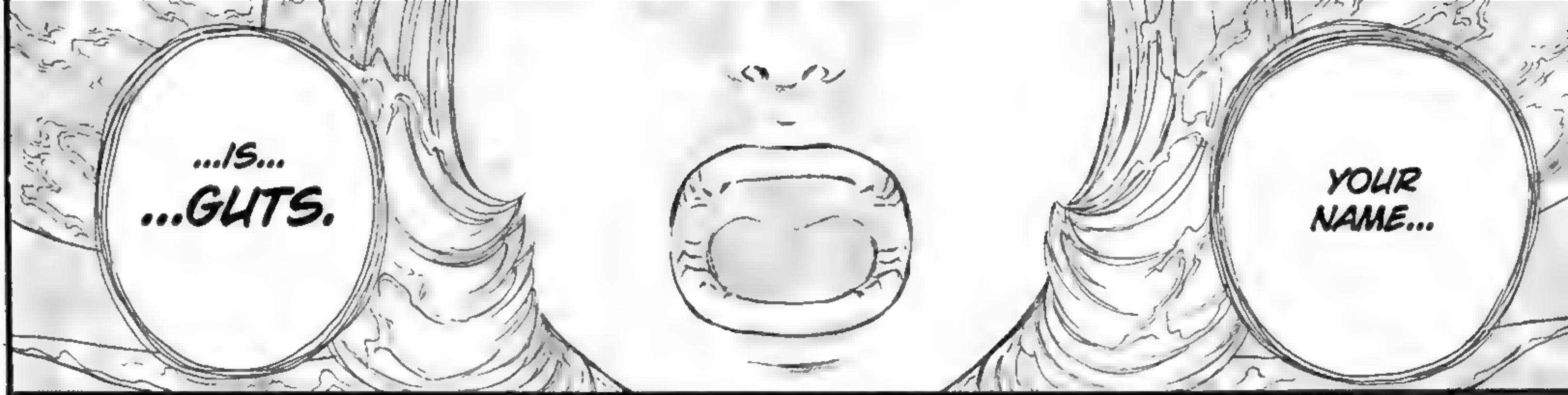
**GR
FEITH**



*FX: FWMM

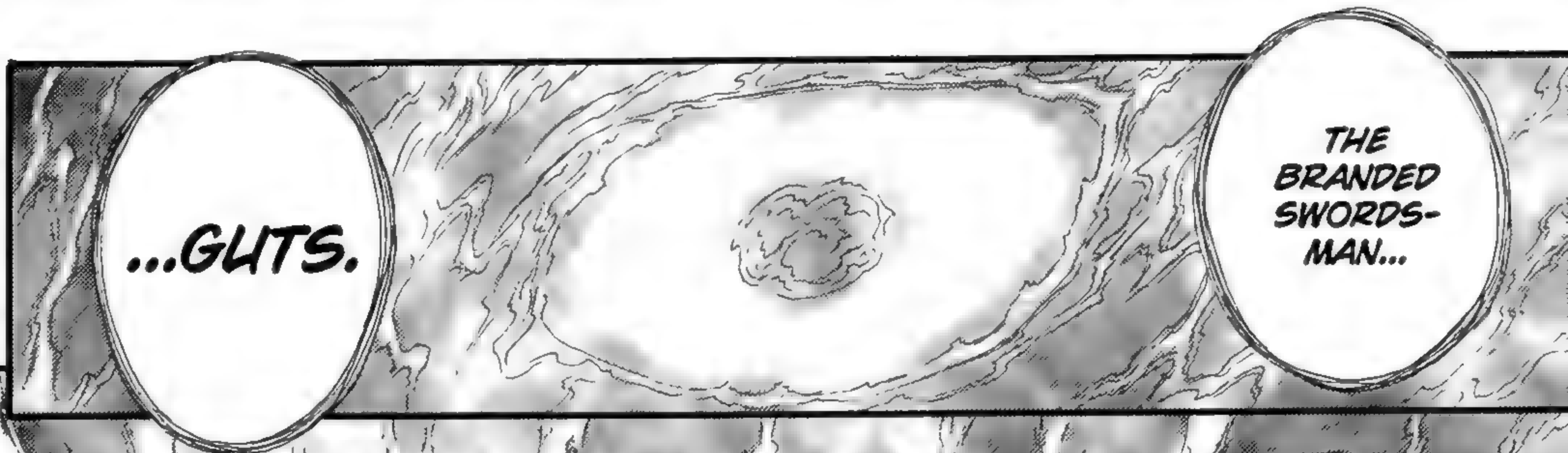






...IS...
...GLTS.

**YOUR
NAME...**



...GLTS.

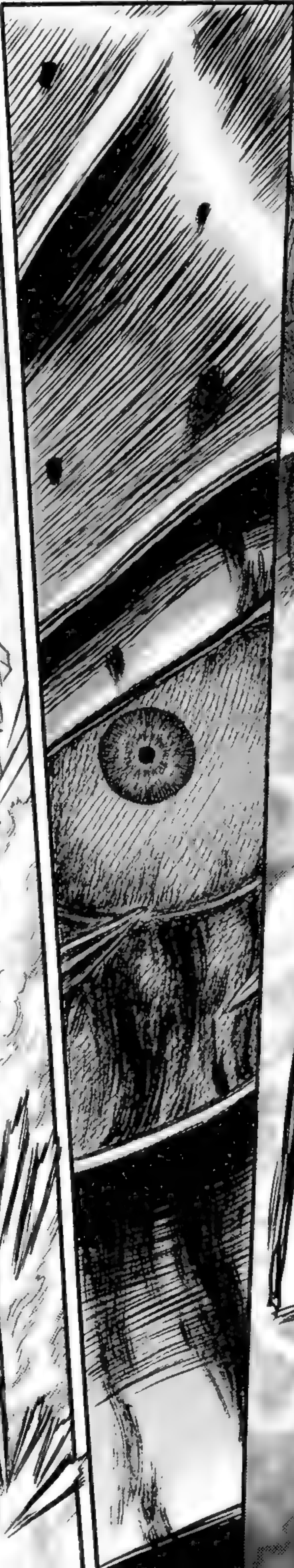
**THE
BRANDED
SWORDS-
MAN...**



**...THE
BRANDED
GIRL.**

**THE
PROTECTOR
OF CASCA...**







WHAT
?!



PRAWNS
EITHER!

DAMN
STAR-
FISH!
SEA
LIFE
DON'T
WANDER
THE
FOREST!



*FX: WSSSMP

*FX: SHMP

*FX: TMP

*FX: ZHA ZHA ZHA

*FX: LEAP







*FX: HHHHH

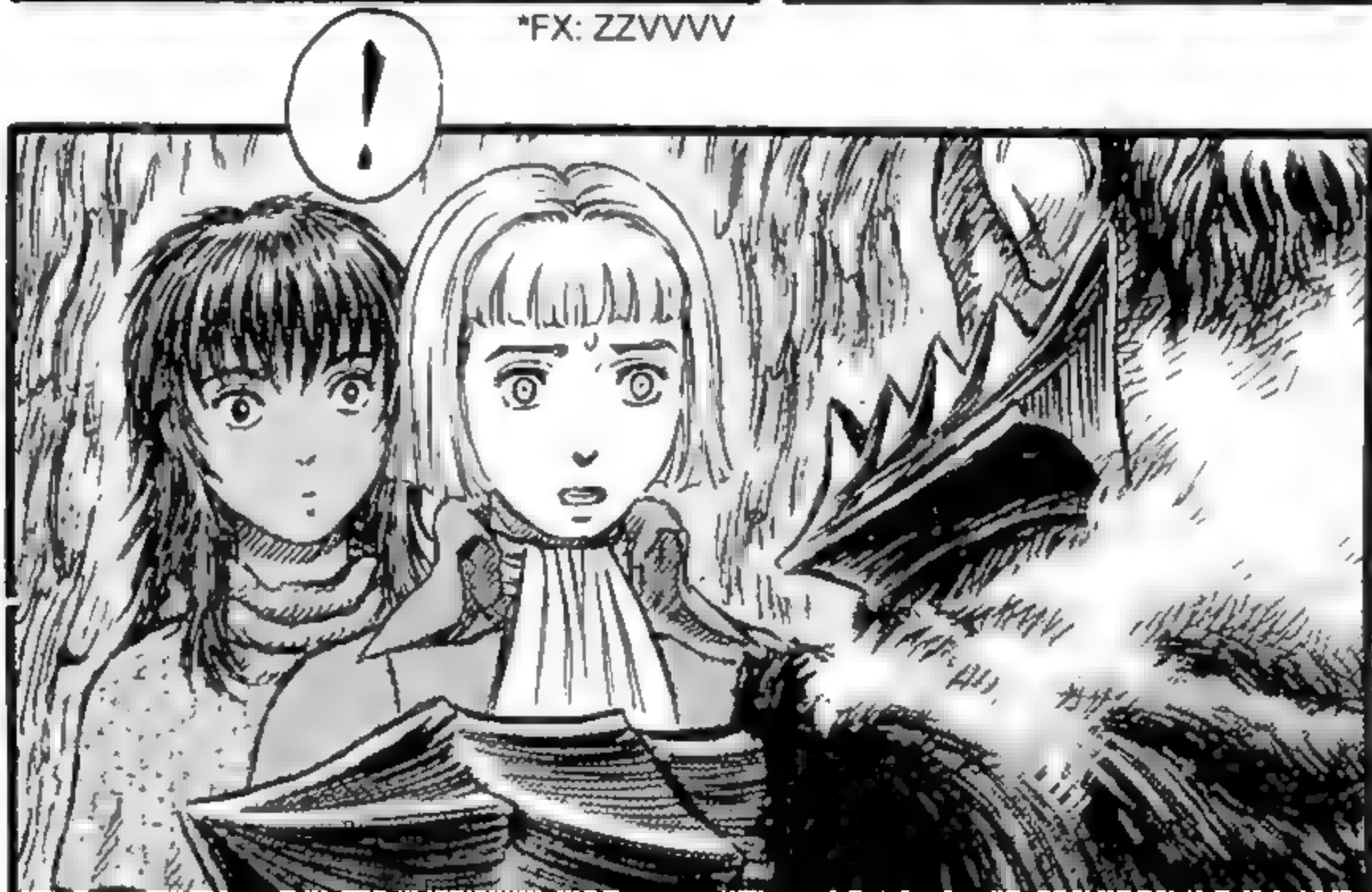
*FX: CHAK CHAK

*FX: GCHIK

*FX: STAND



*FX: ZZVVVV



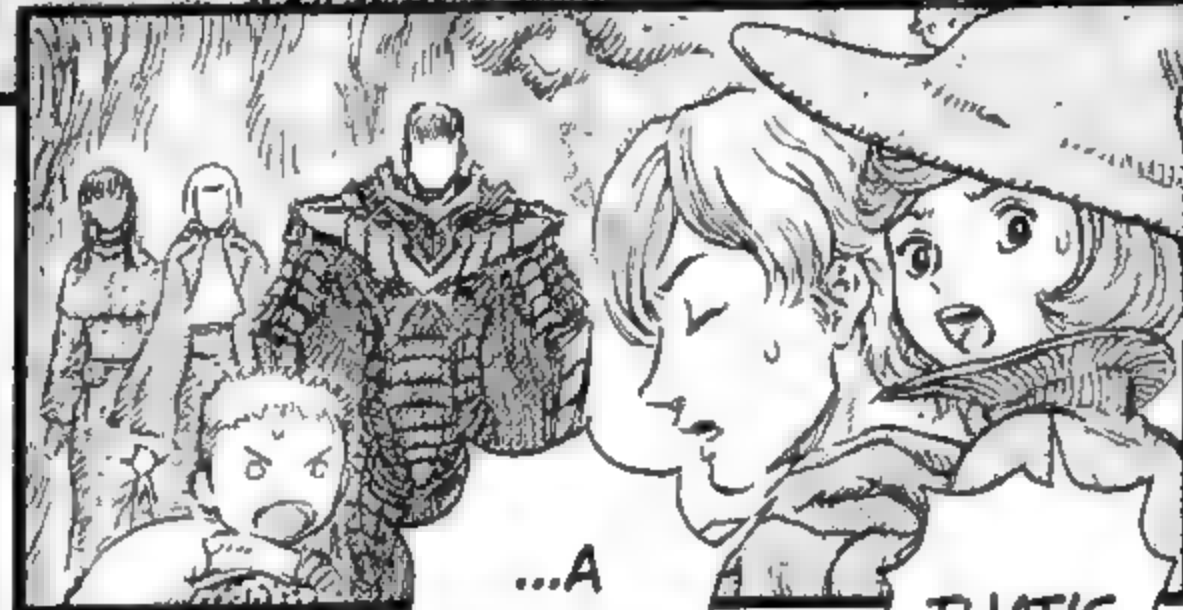
ARE
YOU...?

A...





*FWOOOSH



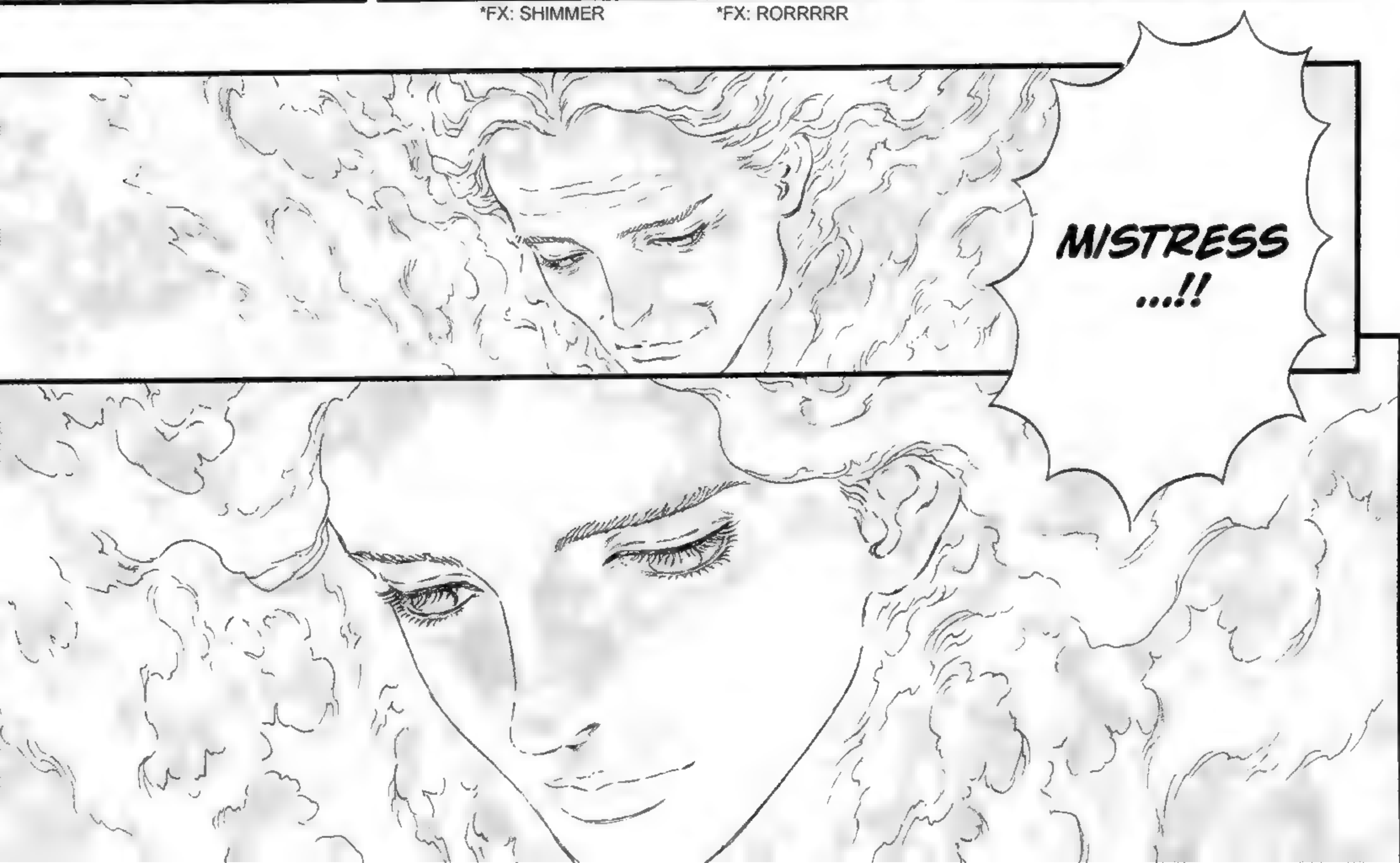
...A
WALL OF
FLAME
?!

THAT'S
...



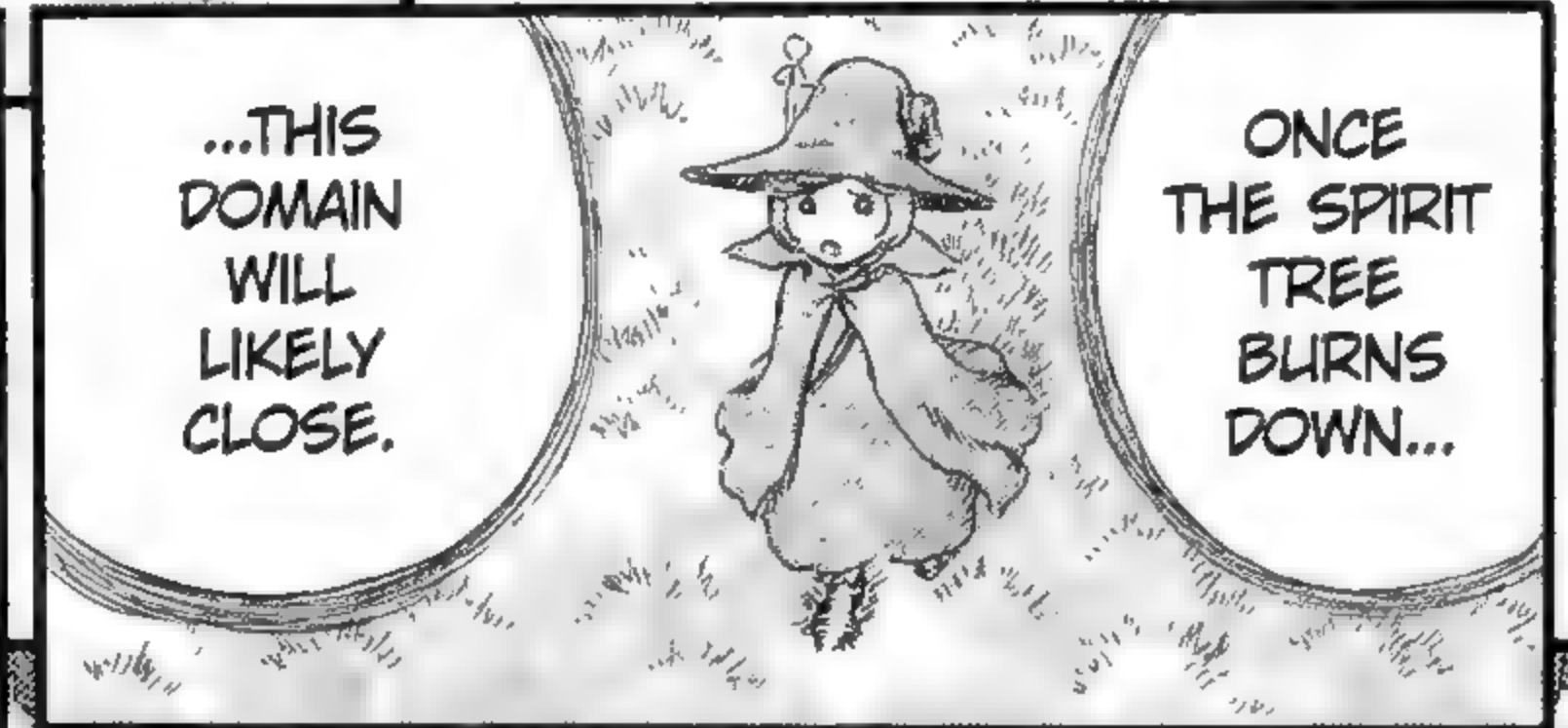
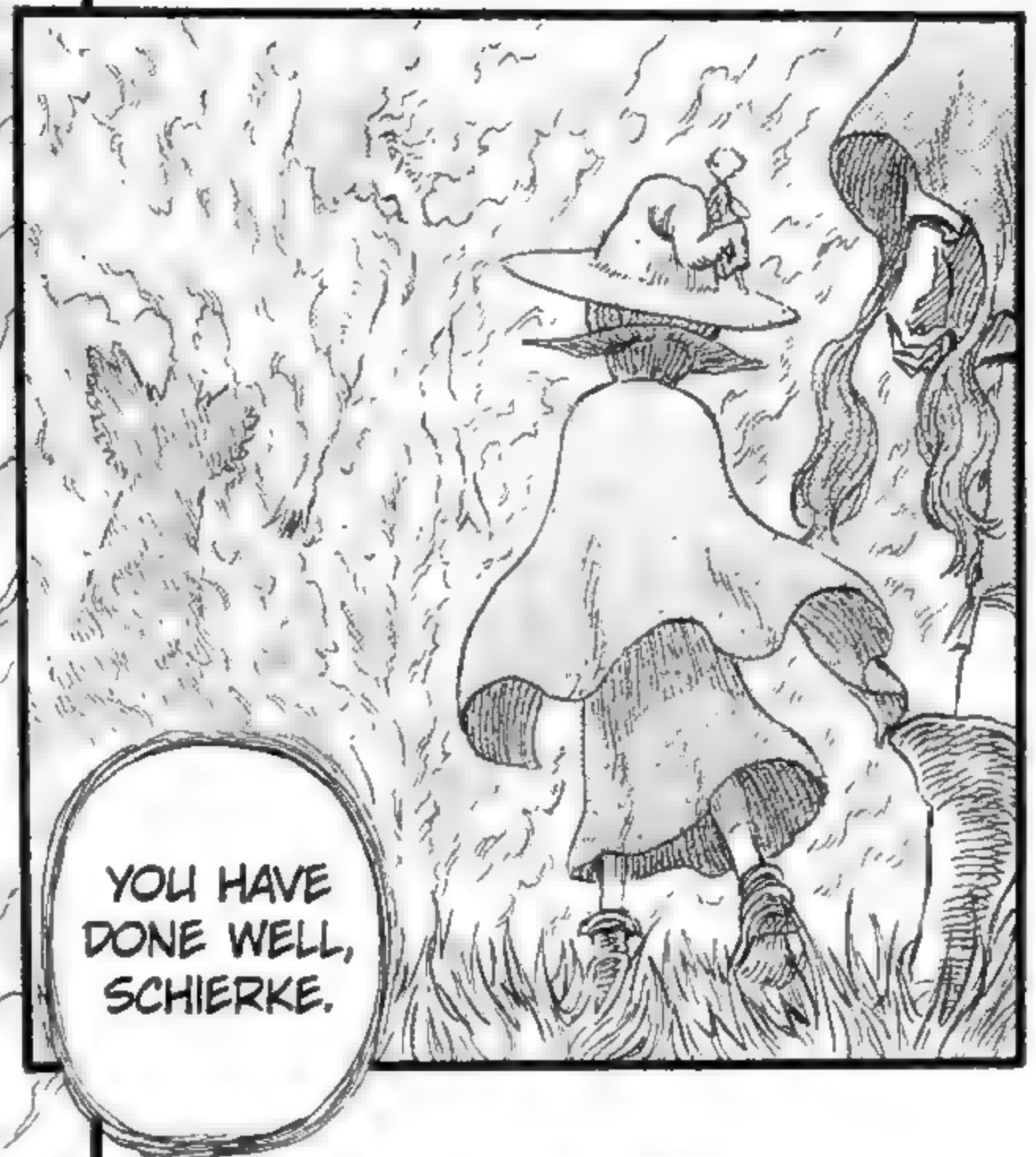
*FX: SHIMMER

*FX: RORRRRR



MISTRESS
...!!

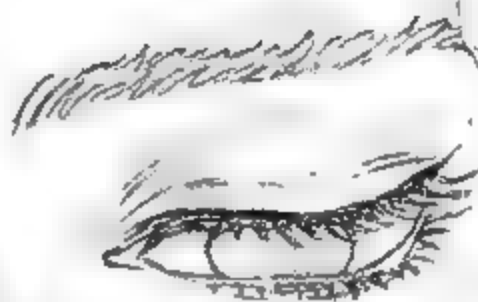




**THANK
YOU.**



**MISTRESS
...!!**



THE DAYS
I SPENT
WITH YOU
WERE
SHORT...

...BUT IN
ALL MY
LONG LIFE,
THEY WERE
THE MOST
SERENE.


GO FORTH
FROM HERE
AND FIND
YOUR OWN
PATH...

...MY
DEAREST
STUDENT.

THE TIME
HAS COME
TO LEAVE
THE NEST.





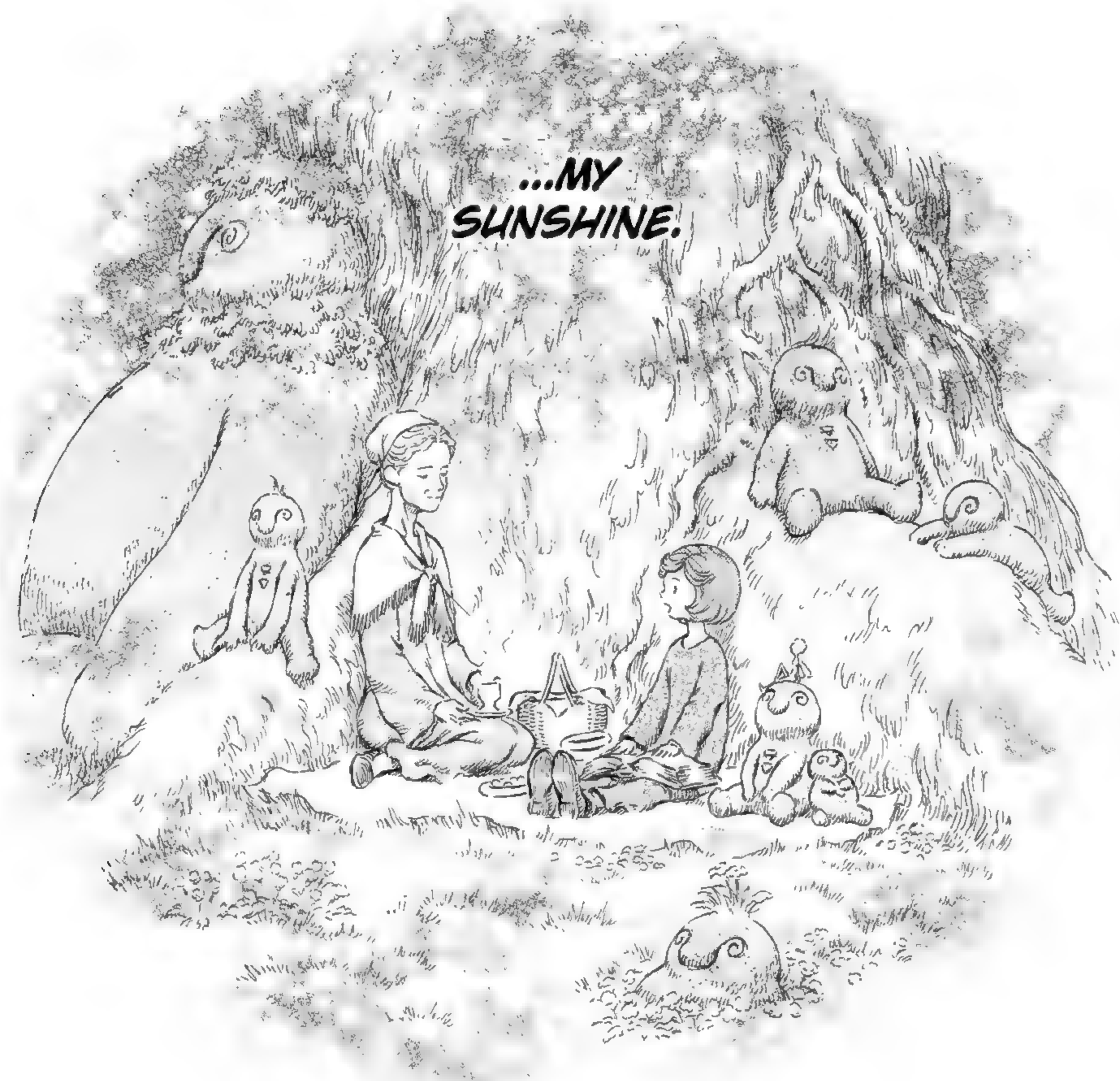


WHETHER
YOU GRASP
THE FATE
BEFORE YOU
IS UP TO
YOU.



...SWEET,
BELOVED
CHILD.

MAY YOUR
GOING
FORTH BE
BLESSED...



DEMON CITY

魔都

BERSERK



THE ROYAL
CAPITAL,
WINDHAM

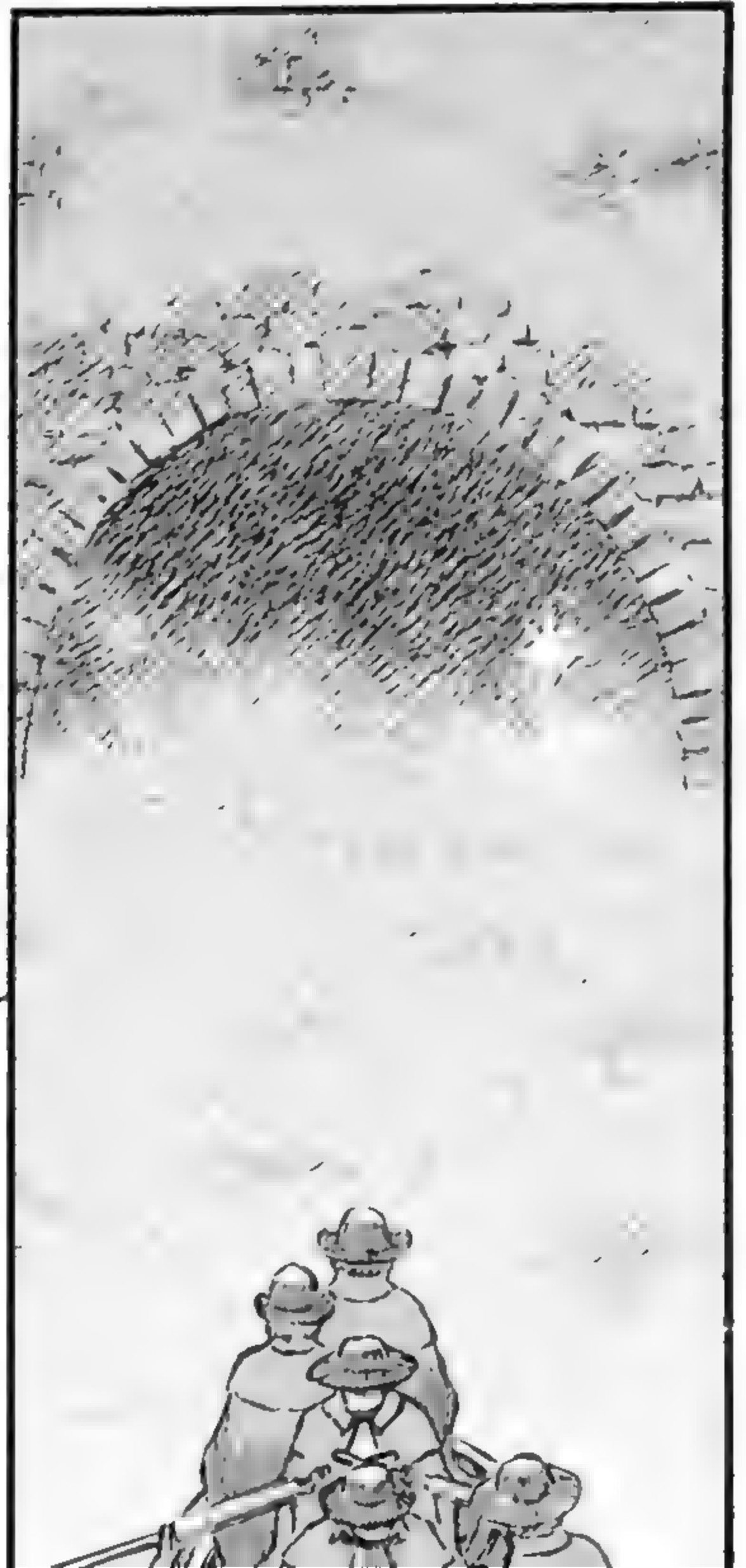




*FX: KREEE



YOU ARE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT ?





I AM LABAN,
LEADER OF
MIDLAND'S
ARKLOW
KNIGHTS.

ALLOW
ME TO
INTRODUCE
MYSELF.



THAT THE
LEADER
HIMSELF
WOULD COME
TO US...

SIR
LABAN.

OHH...



WE MERELY
MANAGE TO
RUN ABOUT
LIKE MOLES
BENEATH THE
GROUND...

NO...
WE ARE A
RESISTANCE
MOVEMENT
IN NAME
ONLY.



IT HAS
BEEN
REDUCED
TO A
DREADFUL
DEMON
CITY.

CURRENTLY,
WINDHAM
DOES NOT
EVEN SEEM
OF THIS
WORLD.



WE WERE
DESPAIRING THAT
WE WERE ALONE
AND UNAIDED.

AS A MILITARY
MAN, I ADMIRE
THE WORK
YOU ALL HAVE
DONE THUS
FAR.

WELL,
WE ARE
GRATEFUL.



CORPSES!

CORPSES.

**EVERY-
WHERE
YOU GO...**

**CORPSES
!!**



**EVERY
PLAZA...**

**EVERY
TOWER
THROUGHOUT
WINDHAM...**

CHURCH...



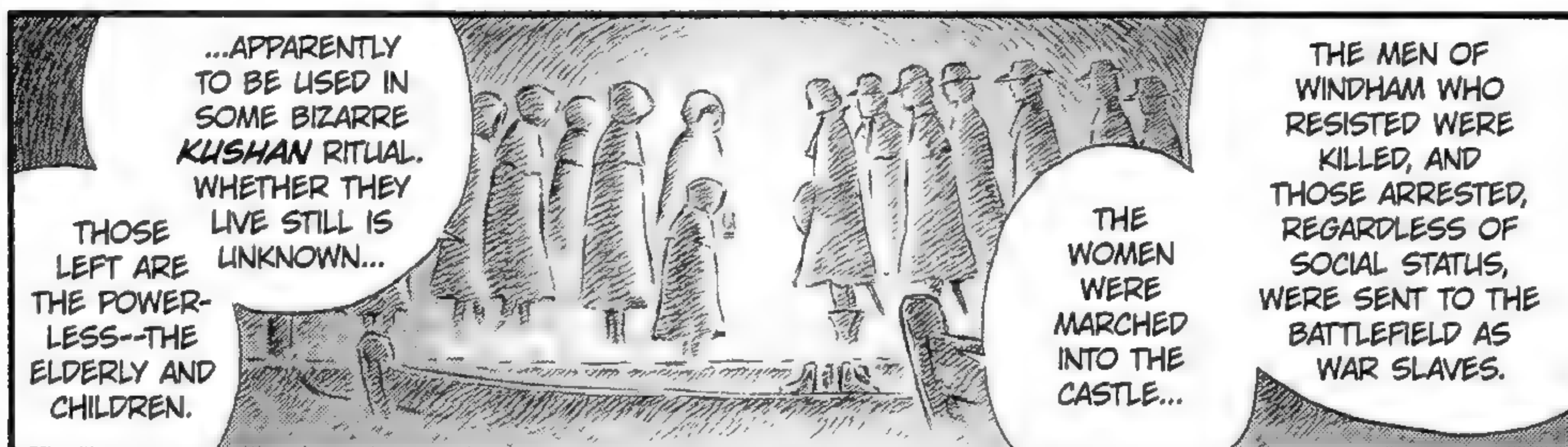
EVERY PLACE
IS INUNDATED
WITH THE
CORPSES OF
OUR PEOPLE!!

...HAD INSTEAD
RISEN TO THE
SURFACE.



AS IF THAT
NECROPOLIS
SAID TO SLEEP
BENEATH THE
**TOWER OF
REBIRTH...**

IT DOES
NOT EVEN
LOOK LIKE
REALITY...



...APPARENTLY
TO BE USED IN
SOME BIZARRE
KUSHAN RITUAL.
WHETHER THEY

LIVE STILL IS
UNKNOWN...

THOSE
LEFT ARE
THE POWER-
LESS--THE
ELDERLY AND
CHILDREN.

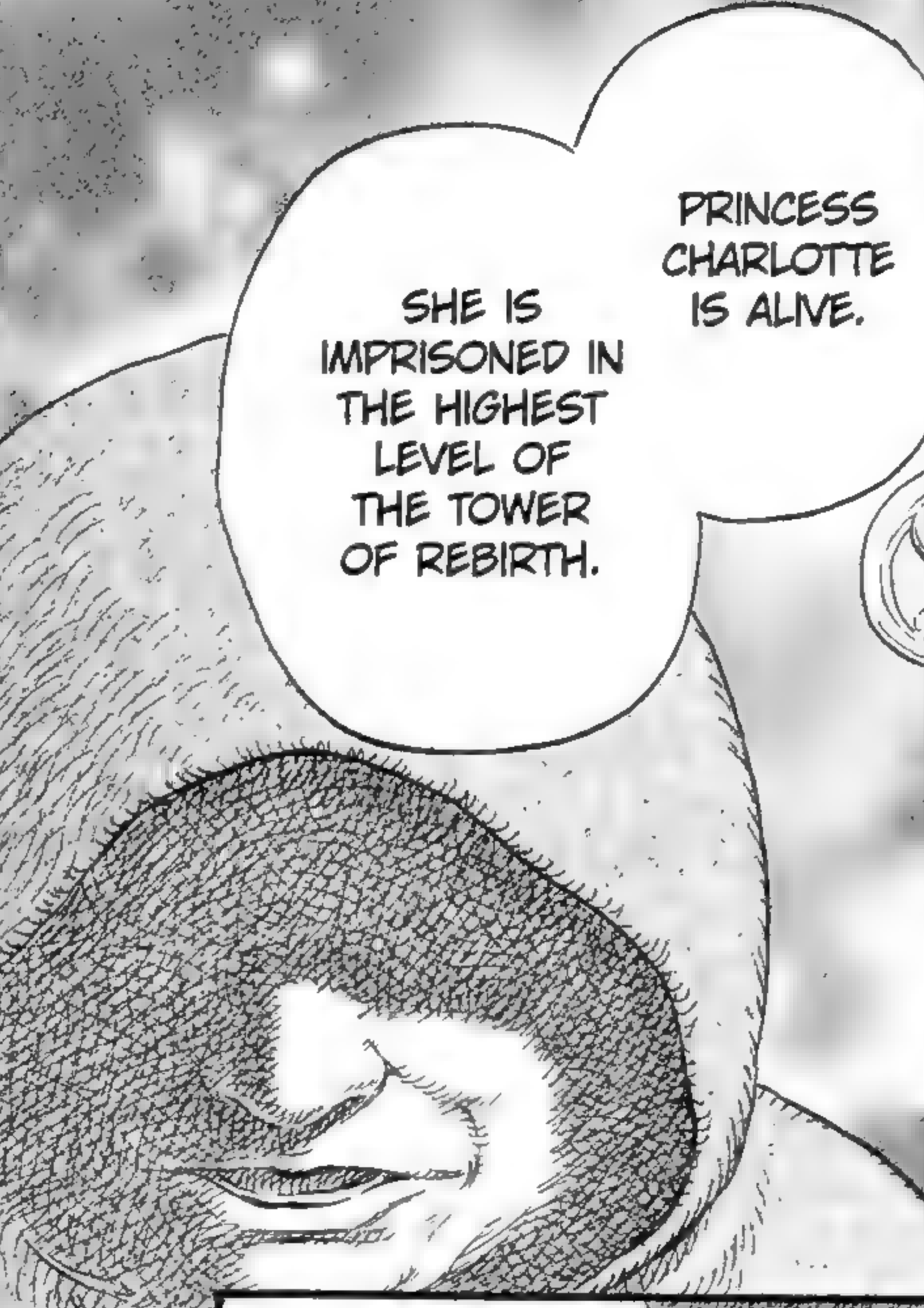
THE
WOMEN
WERE
MARCHED
INTO THE
CASTLE...

THE MEN OF
WINDHAM WHO
RESISTED WERE
KILLED, AND
THOSE ARRESTED,
REGARDLESS OF
SOCIAL STATUS,
WERE SENT TO THE
BATTLEFIELD AS
WAR SLAVES.



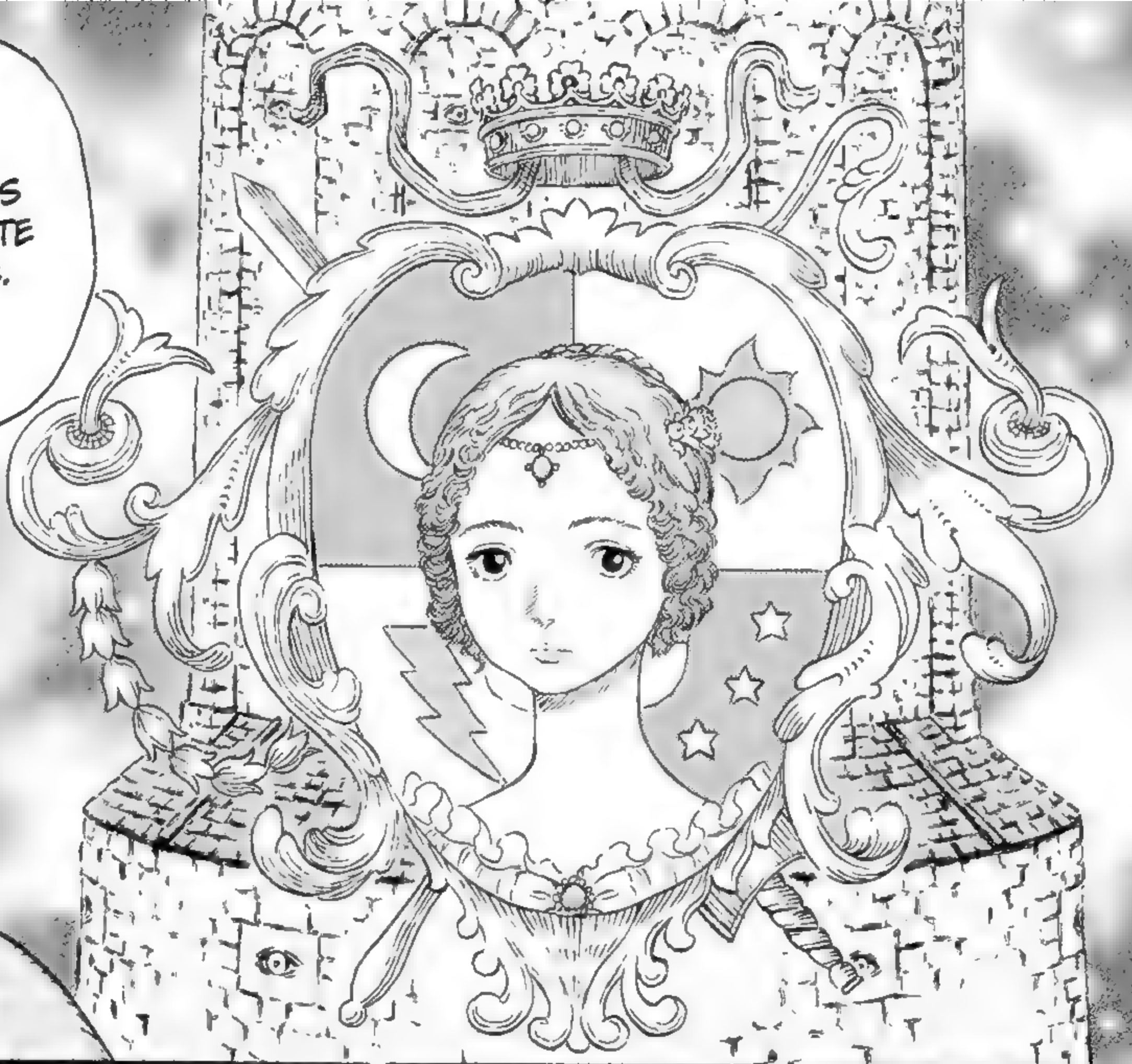
BUT ONE
PIECE OF
NEWS IS
GOOD...

THAT'S
HORREN-
DOUS...



SHE IS
IMPRISONED IN
THE HIGHEST
LEVEL OF
THE TOWER
OF REBIRTH.

PRINCESS
CHARLOTTE
IS ALIVE.



IF THE ROYAL
BLOODLINE IS
UNSEVERED,
THERE'S
STILL HOPE!

MIDLAND
MIGHT
BE SAVED
FROM THE
BRINK OF
DOWNFALL!

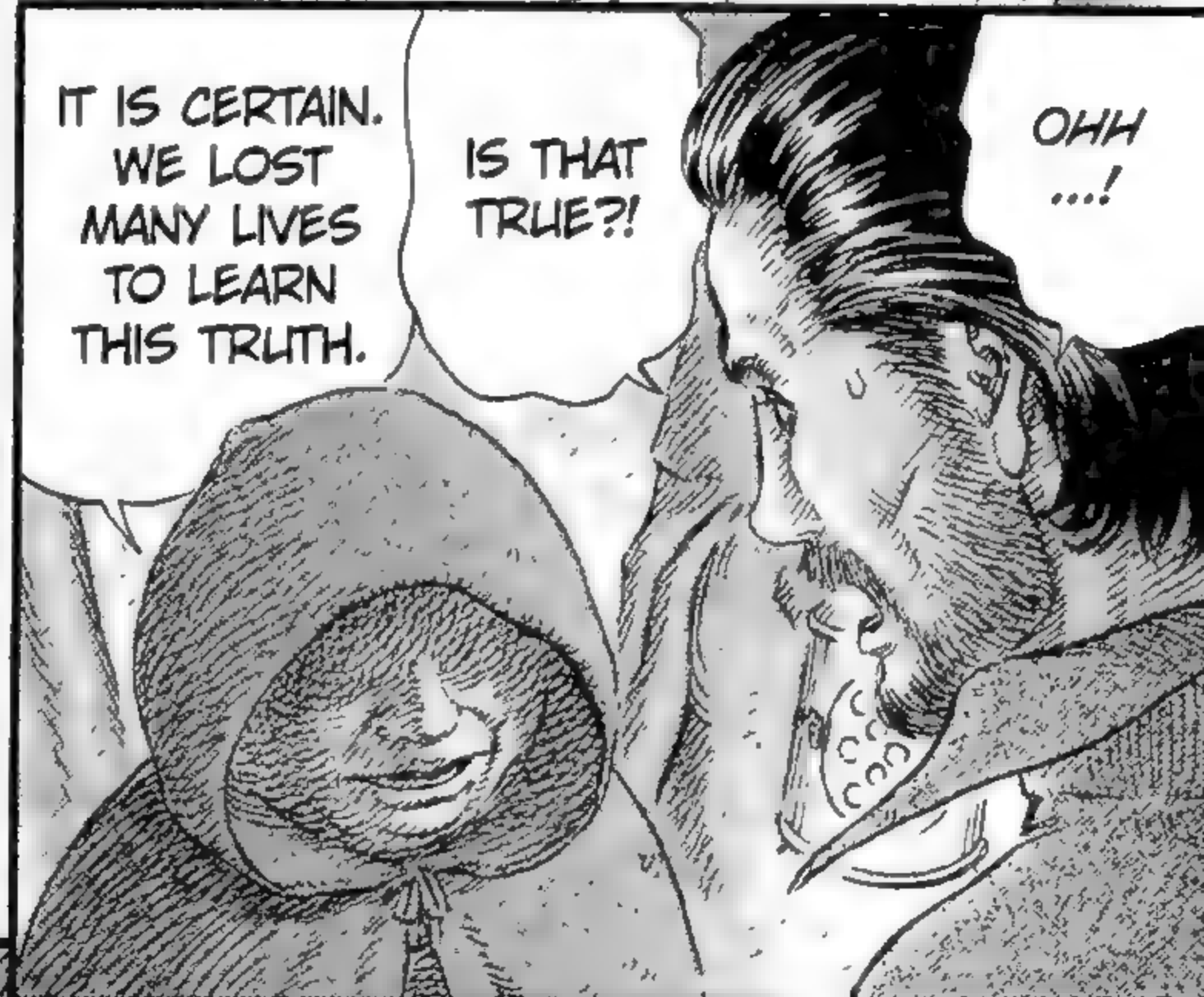


IF THE
PRINCESS
IS SAFE
....!!

IT IS CERTAIN.
WE LOST
MANY LIVES
TO LEARN
THIS TRUTH.

IS THAT
TRUE?!

OHH
...!



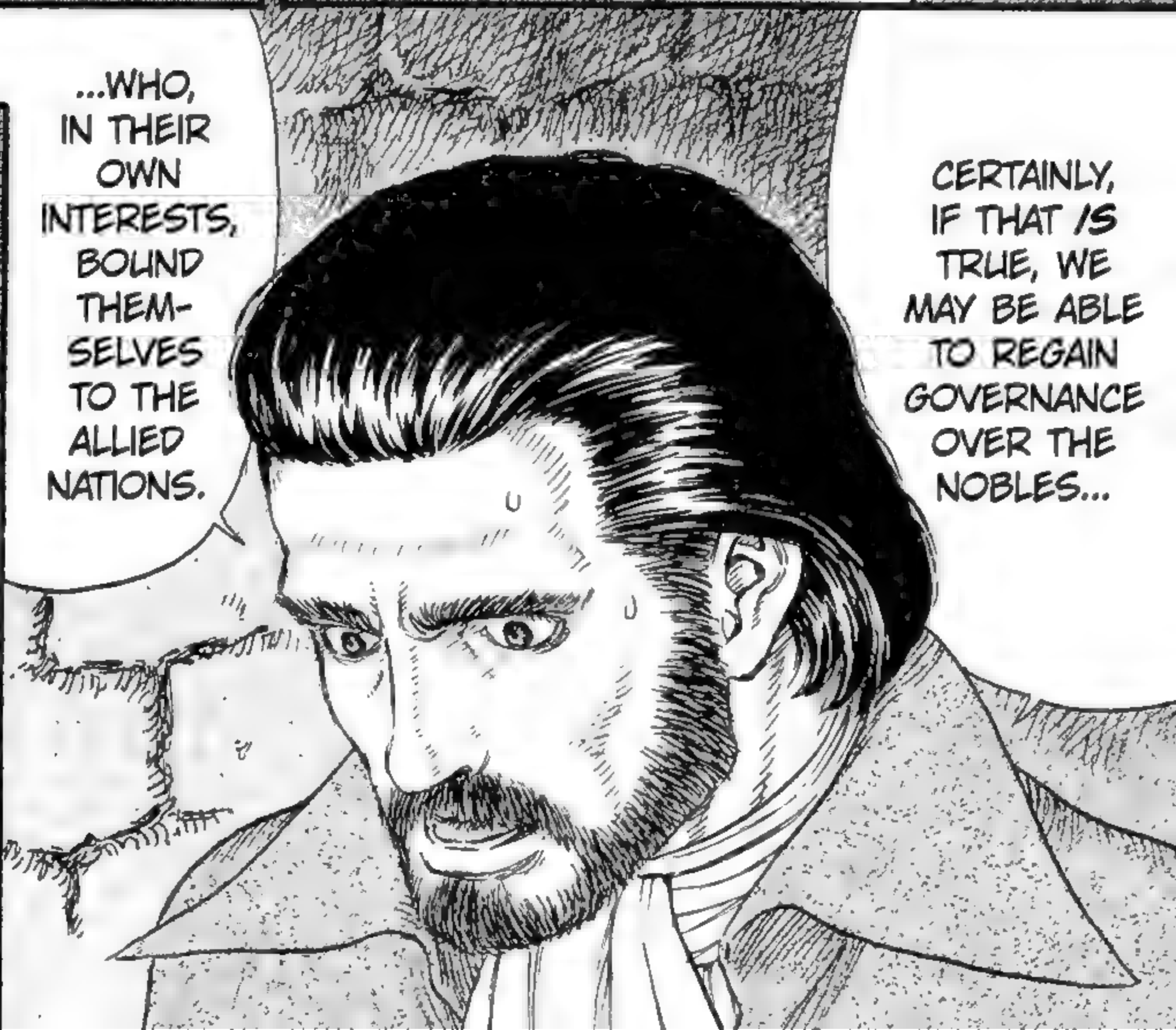
...WE ARE IN A
STATE OF ISOLATION
HERE AND KNOW
NEARLY NOTHING
OF WHAT GOES
ON OUTSIDE...

SIR
LABAN...

...SO
I WISH TO
ASK ABOUT
A RUMOR.

...WHO,
IN THEIR
OWN
INTERESTS,
BOUND
THEM-
SELVES
TO THE
ALLIED
NATIONS.

CERTAINLY,
IF THAT *IS*
TRUE, WE
MAY BE ABLE
TO REGAIN
GOVERNANCE
OVER THE
NOBLES...





...THE
HAWK?

WHERE
IS...



YOU'RE...

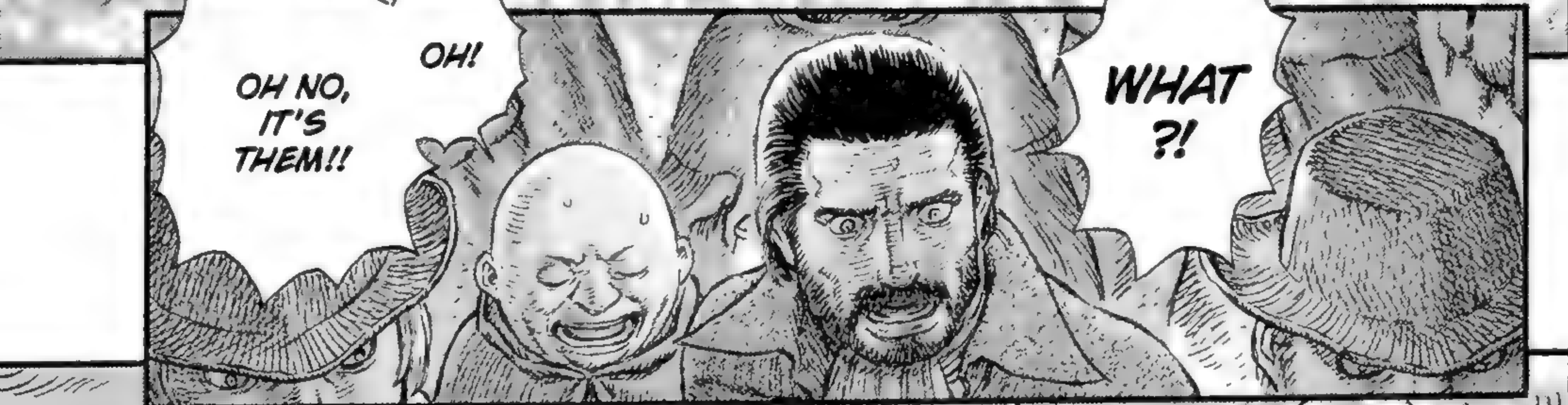
!



?!

GY
AH
HH!

DZASSSH

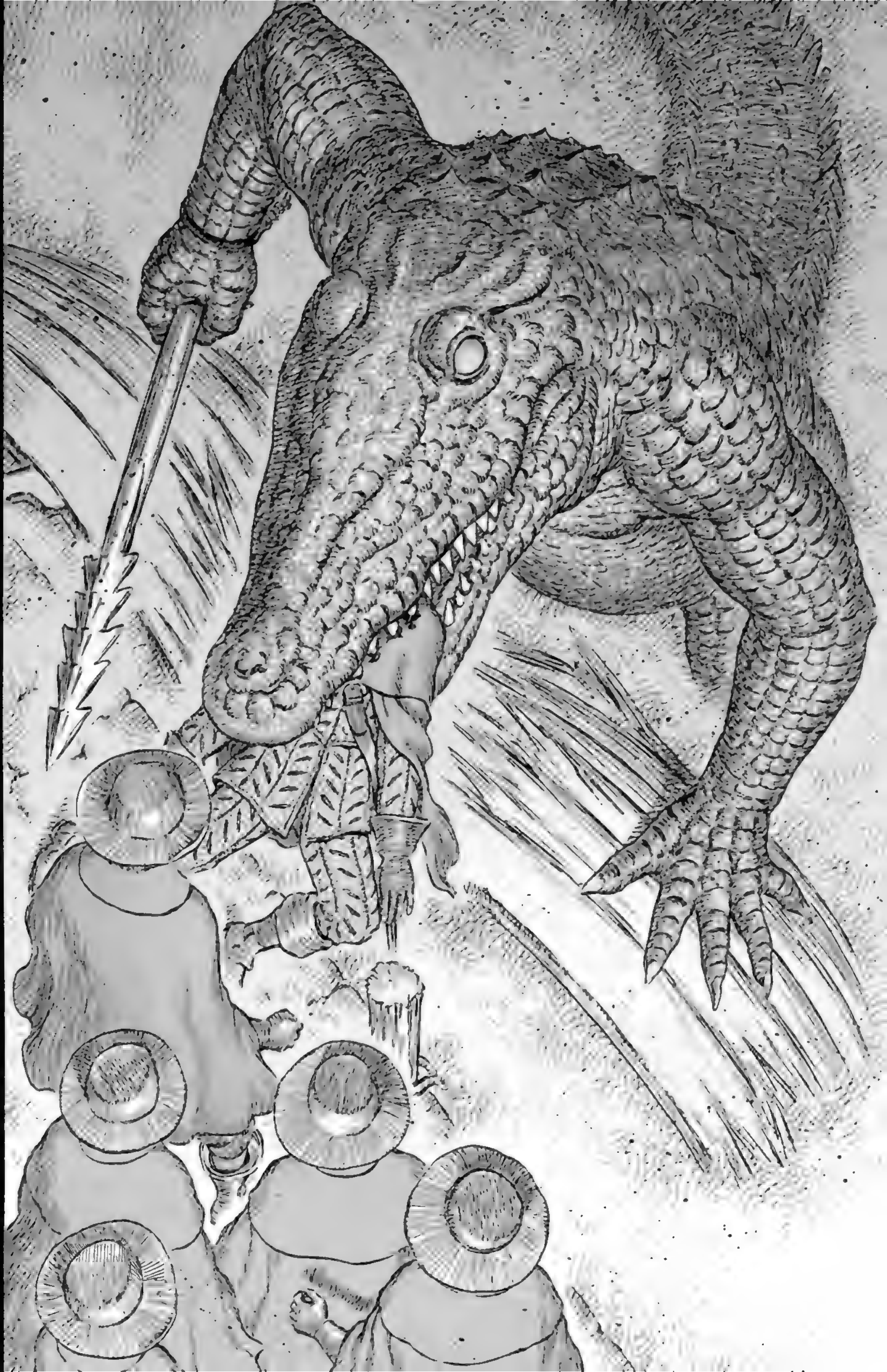


OH NO,
IT'S
THEM!!

OH!

WHAT
?!







...TO MANIPULATE
HALF-BEAST,
HALF-MAN
MONSTERS LIKE
THAT ONE!!

IT MAY BE
DIFFICULT
TO BELIEVE,
BUT IT IS ALSO
THE ONLY
EXPLANATION
...!!

THE
KUSHAN USE
SORCERY...

...HAS BECOME
A DEMON
CITY WHERE
BIZARRE
BEASTS RUN
RAMPANT!!!

I SAID
IT NOT AS
METAPHOR OR
EXAGGERA-
TION!!
WINDHAM...

A
DEMON
CITY.

TH-THIS
SHOULD
BE FAR
ENOUGH
FOR
NOW...



OUR
SENTIMENTS
EXACTLY.

UNBELIEVABLE.
NEVER MIND
THAT I JUST
SAW IT WITH MY
OWN EYES...



THE DAY
CAME WHEN
THIS FOG
COVERED
THE CITY...

THAT THIS
NO LONGER
SEEMS REAL,
LIKE WE HAVE
WANDERED
INTO A
NIGHTMARE...

EVERYONE
SAYS THE
SAME...

THE CITIZENS
FEAR THEM,
CONFINED
THEMSELVES
TO THEIR
HOMES, AND
COWER.

...AND AS THOUGH
SUMMONED BY IT,
THESE HORRORS
BEGAN TO PROWL
THE STREETS.



INDEED...



ズ
ッ



ズ
ム



...REALISTIC
THEATER
OF WAR.

THIS IS
NO...





*ZHLF

W-WE'RE TRAPPED!!

*FX: SHM

*FX: PLOOSH

*FX: SHHHHH

*DOOSH

*FX: SHM SHH SHM

*FX: BLACH

*FX: TNK TNK TNK TNK



*FX BDADUMP BDADUMP







CITIZENS OF
WINDHAM.

WAIT
PATIENTLY.



*CLOP

*CLOP





*FX: BOADUMP BOADUMP





...TRESPASSING
IN MY
DOMAIN.

SEVERAL
INHUMAN
PRESENCES...

I FEEL
THEM.



...ALL
LIES IN THE
PALM OF
MY HAND.

WITHIN
THIS
FOG...

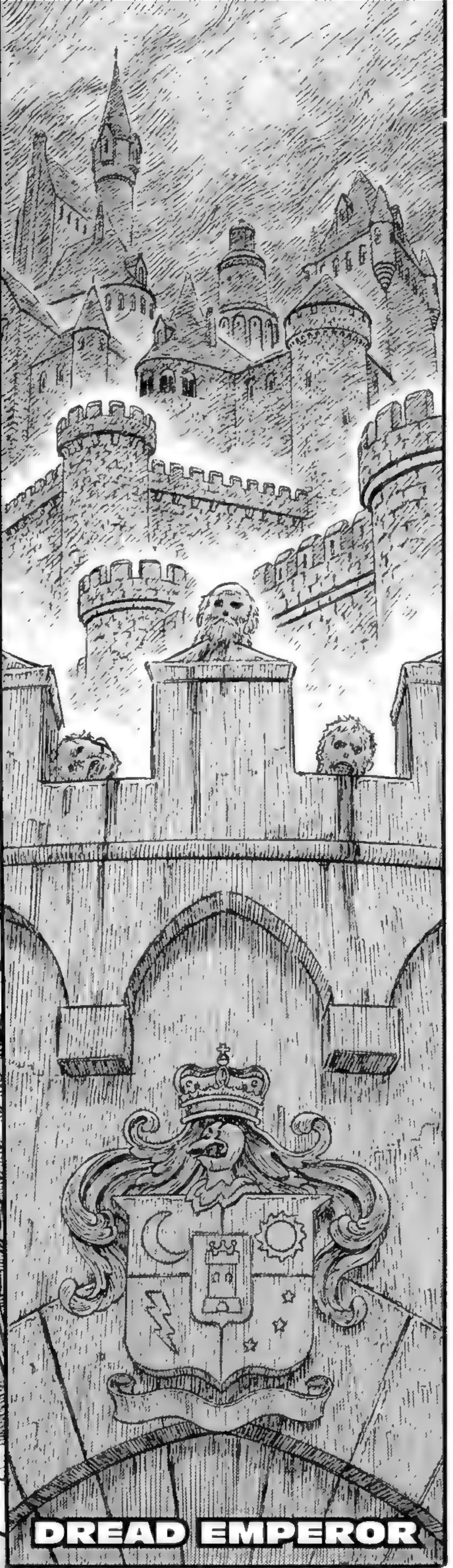
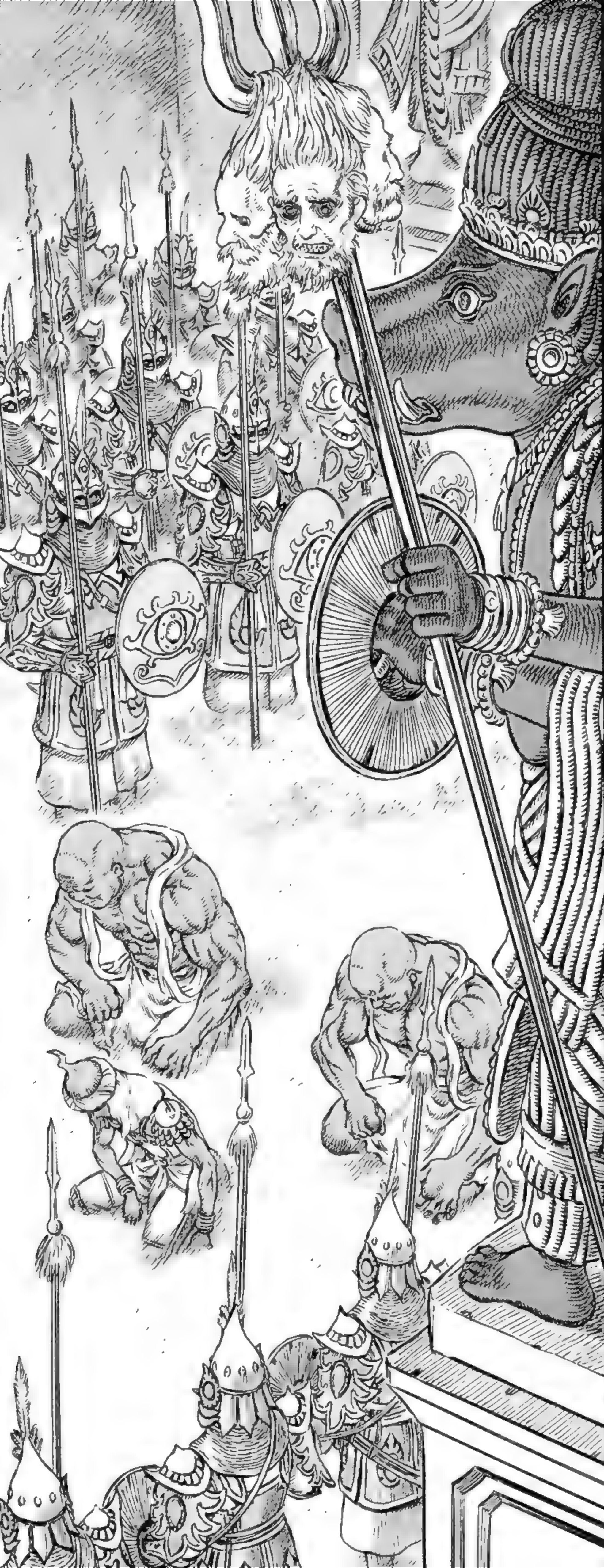
IT'S
FUTILE.



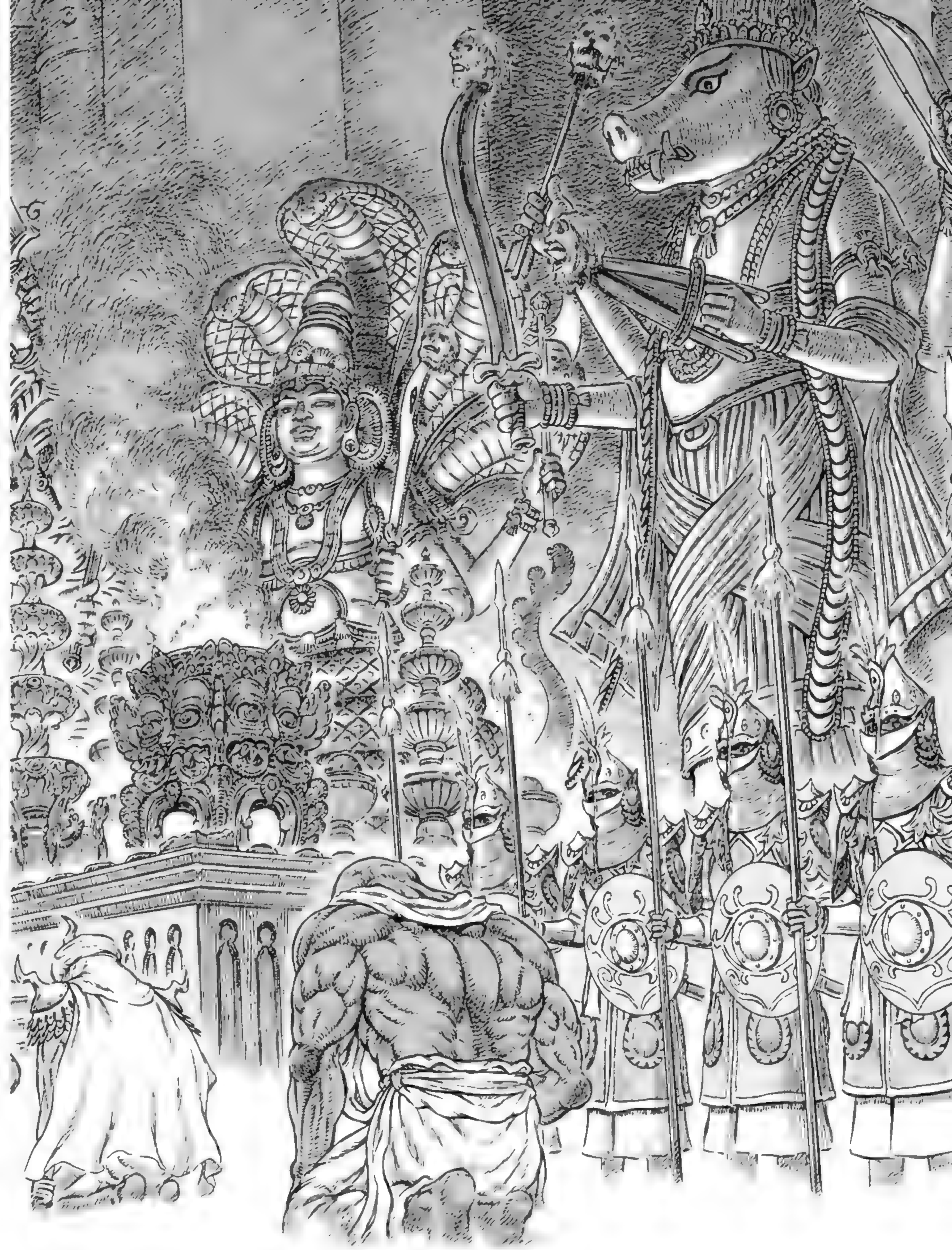
COME TO
MY DEMON
CASTLE...

BUT
COME.

...VANGUARD
OF THE
HAWK.



恐 帝






...THE
POWERS
OF THE
BAKIRAKA
CLAN?

DID
I OVER-
ESTIMATE
A BIT...

I AM AT
A LOSS TO
RESPOND.



...BUT
WITH YOUR
OPPONENT
BEING THE
HAWK OF
ORACLE,
IT CANNOT
BE HELPED.

I TOO HAD
HIGH HOPES
FOR THE
TENACITY ON
WHICH YOU
GAMBLLED THE
RESTORATION
OF YOUR
CLAN...




BUT...

I SHALL
LEAVE THE
DUTY OF
SEIZING HIM
TO MY OWN
ARMY.

HENCEFORTH,
REPORT ONLY
ON THE HAWK'S
LOCATION AND
MOVEMENTS, AS
NECESSARY.



YES,
SIRE...!



ENOUGH.
GO NOW.



IF WE ARE
DISMISSED
FROM
CAPTURING
THE
HAWK...

THIS HAS
GROWN
TROUBLING,
THOUGH.

...THERE
IS A SLIM
CHANCE
WE WILL
BE SHOWN
UP BY THE
ARMY...

I FEEL
ASHAMED,
YOUNG
MASTER.

WE
CONTINUE
TO FALL
SHORT...

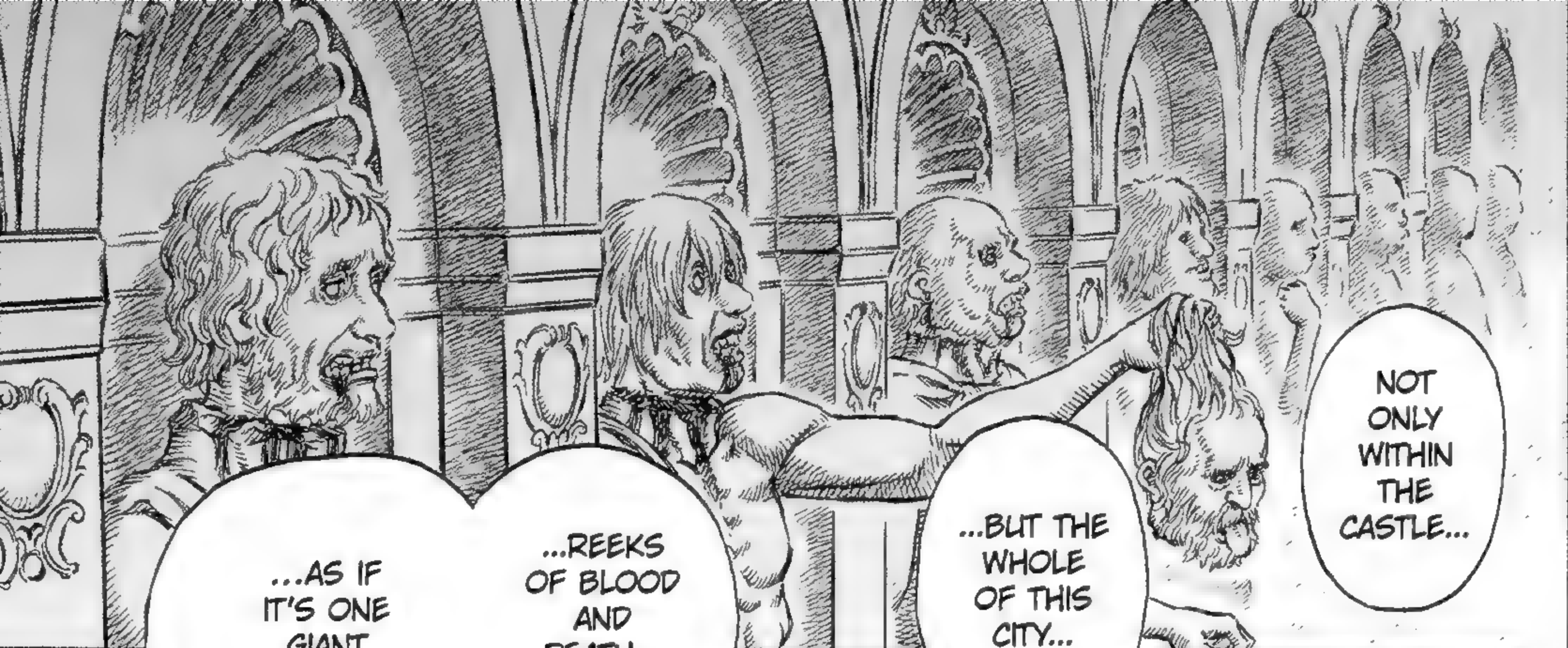
DON'T
DWELL ON IT.
MY OWN
INEXPERIENCE
WAS AT PLAY
AS WELL.

SO LONG
AS WE KEEP
OUR EYES ON
THE PRIZE,
OUR CHANCE
WILL COME.

THE HAWK
WILL NOT BE
CAUGHT EASILY
BY THOSE
DIMWITTED
SOLDIERS.

...WHAT
A GRIM
SIGHT.

BUT
STILL...



...AS IF
IT'S ONE
GIANT
CURSED
ALTAR.

...REEKS
OF BLOOD
AND
DEATH...

...BUT THE
WHOLE
OF THIS
CITY...

NOT
ONLY
WITHIN
THE
CASTLE...



HARDLY.

...THE SOLDIERS
WERE RUMORING
THAT HORRORS
WERE PROWLING
ABOUT.

WITH
THE CITY
LOST IN
FOG...



NO, I CAN'T
MAKE THAT
ASSERTION.



DON'T
SAY IT.

...TO THAT
DREAD
EMPEROR?

...TO
ENTRUST
THE FATE
OF OUR
CLAN...

WAS
IT TRULY
PROPER,
THOUGH...

IF WE LET THIS
CHANCE SLIP,
WE WILL CONTINUE
TO PASS ON TO
OUR DESCENDANTS
BITTER, AIMLESS
DAYS SPENT
WANDERING
FOREIGN LANDS.

RESTORATION
TO THE EMPIRE
HAS BEEN
OUR CLAN'S
DEAREST
WISH FOR
CENTURIES.

...IN-
DEED...

BUT...

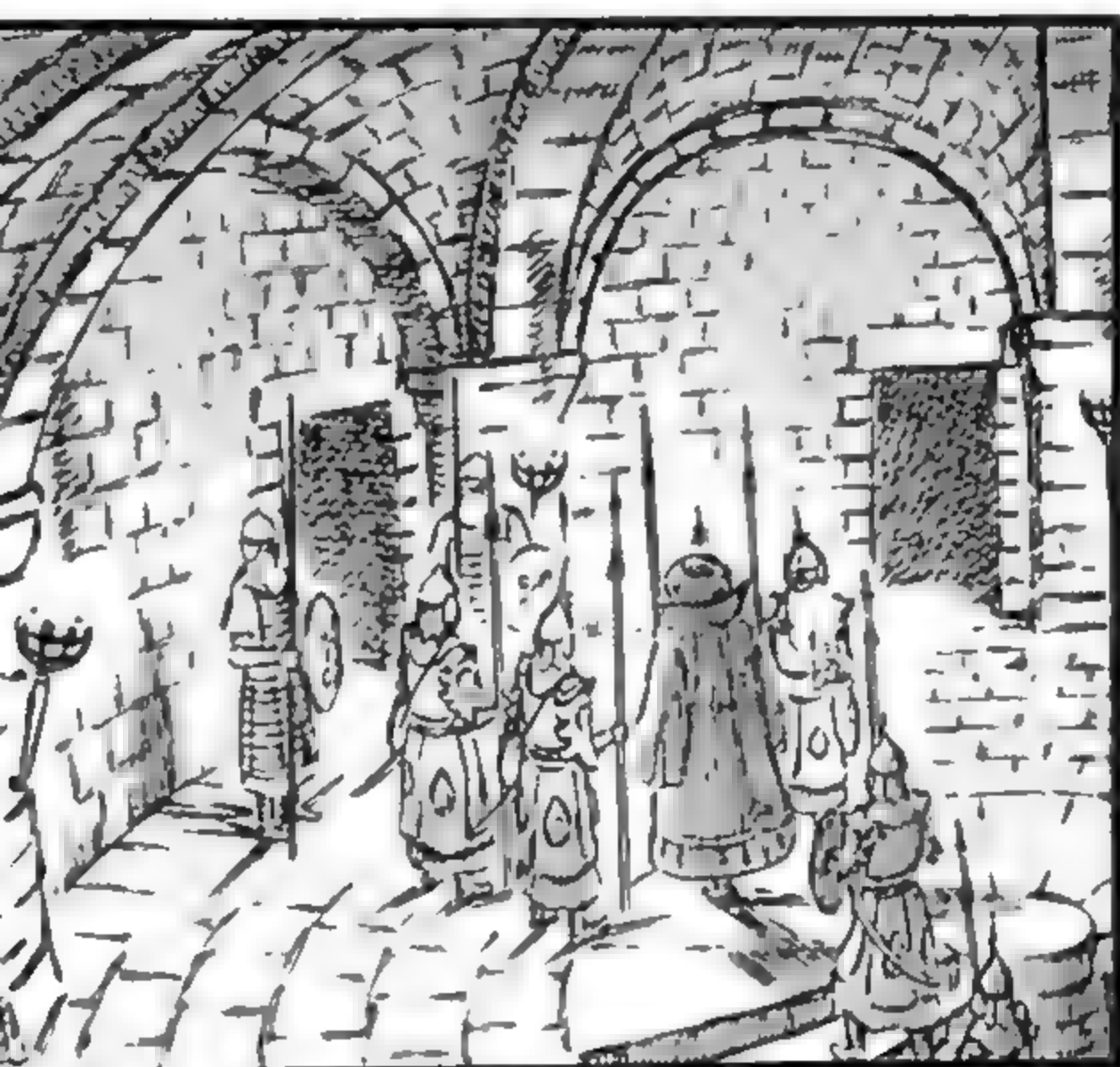
ENOUGH.

I SPOKE
UN-
WISELY.

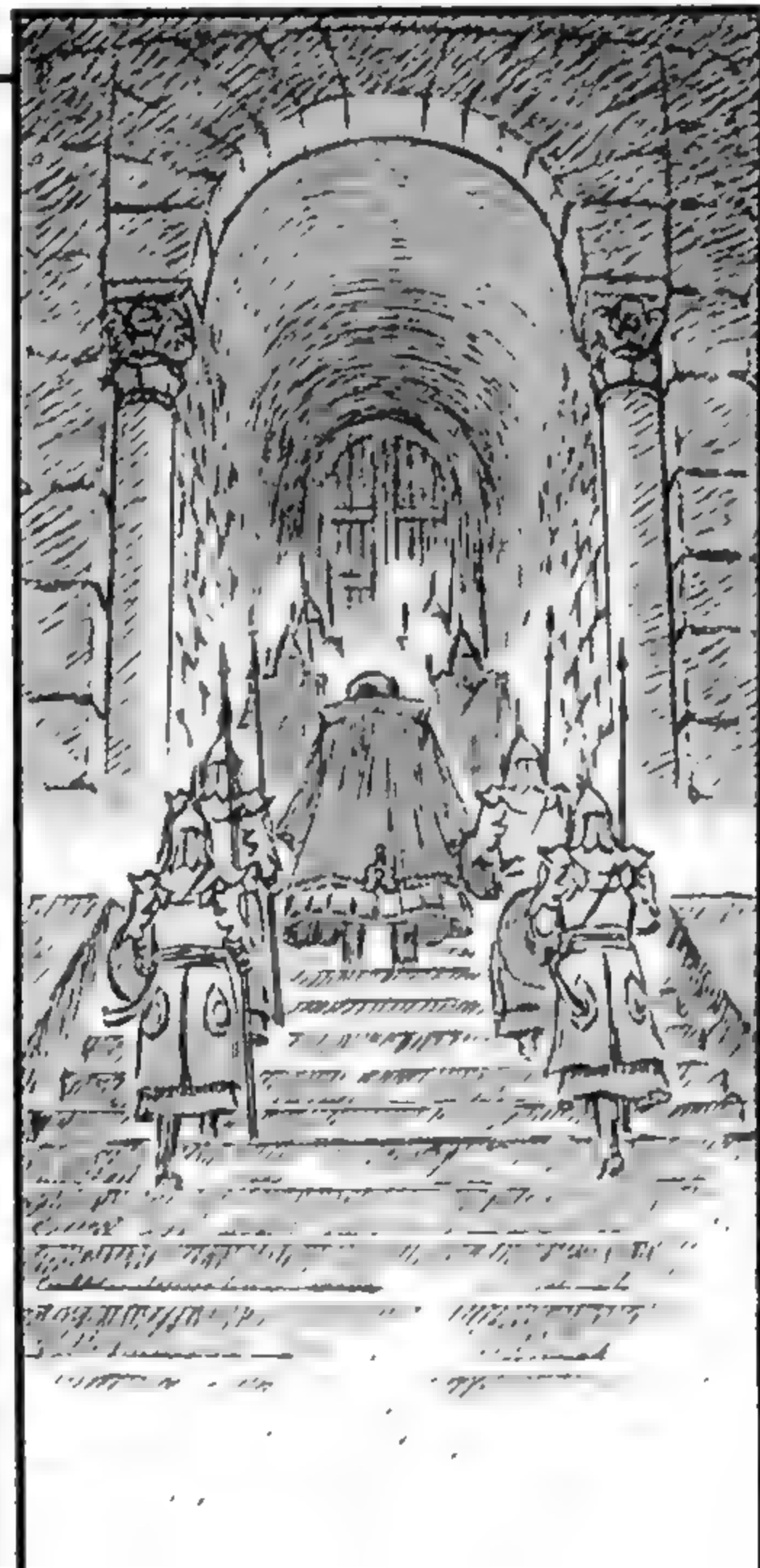
...IS A
"DREAD
EMPEROR."

...THE
GREAT
EMPEROR
GANISHKA

...



*FX GREEEE





THIS PILE
HAS GROWN
EVEN
HIGHER.



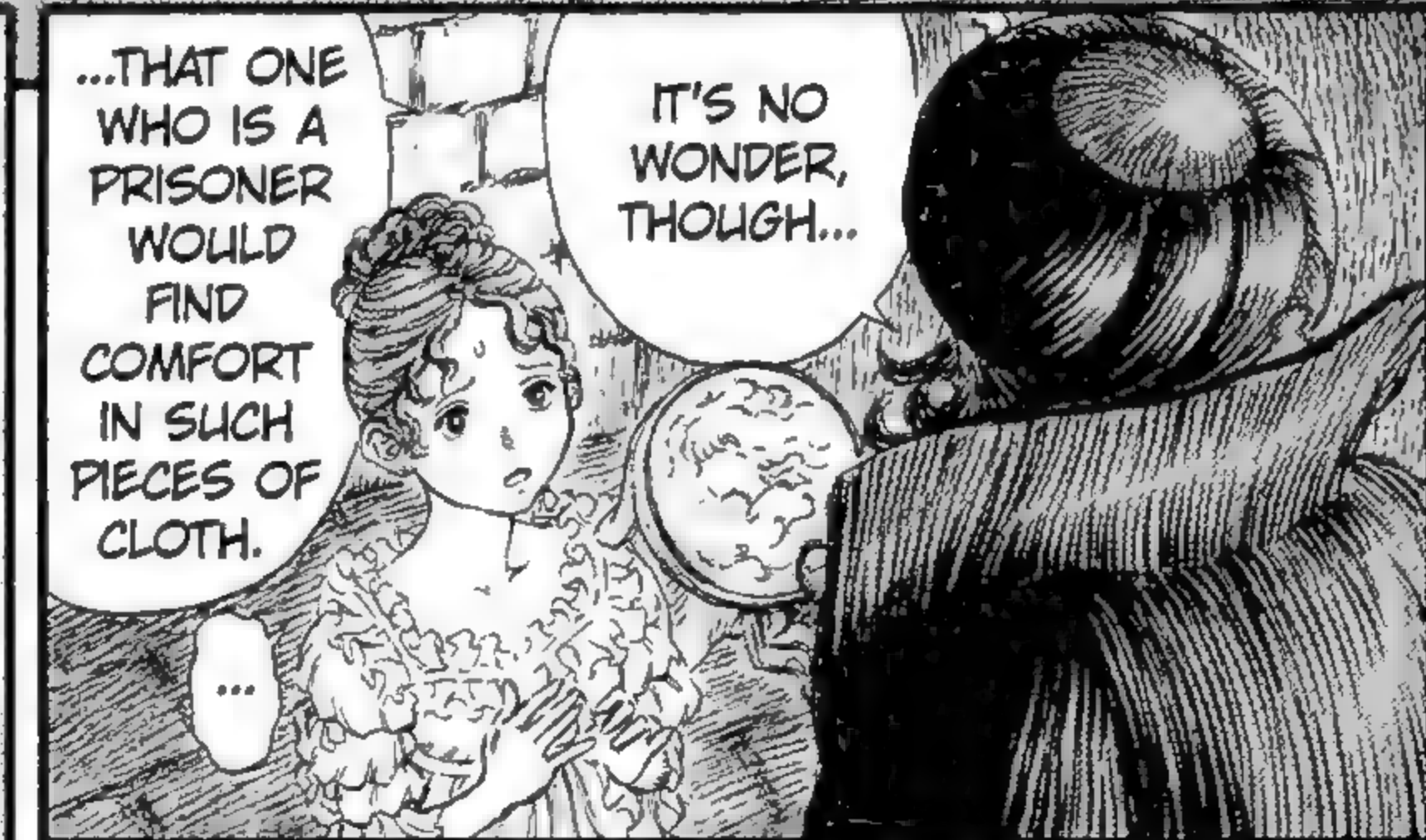
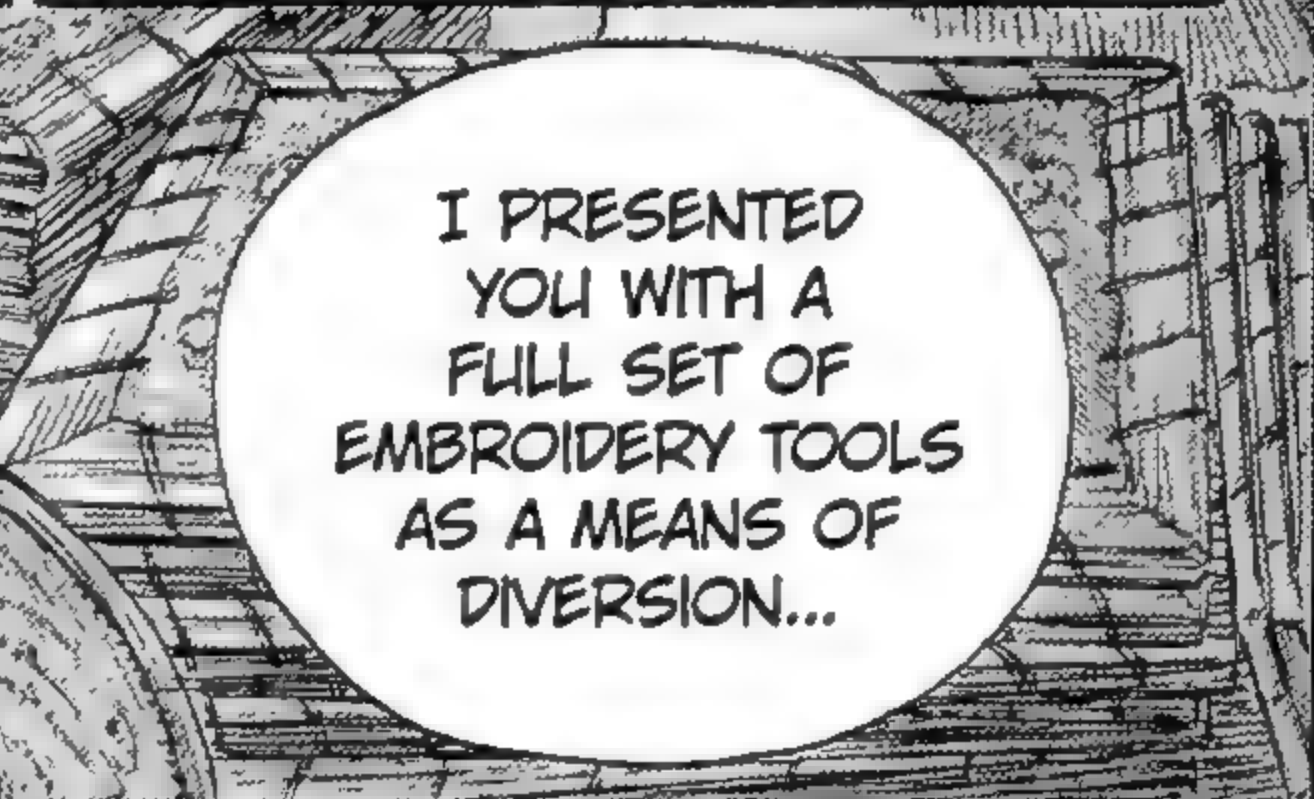
A...

THROW
HER OUT
FOR A
TIME.

A HORDE
OF MEN
ENTERING
A LADY'S
ROOM
WITHOUT
NOTICE... IS
THAT NOT
IMPOLITE
?!



!





TO BEAR
MY CHILD.

IT OUGHT
TO BE
OBVIOUS.

THIS
TOO IS
COMMON
IN WAR.



YOU SHOULD
KNOW THIS,
AS PRINCESS OF
A KINGDOM.



DO YOU
WISH TO BE
PRINCESS
OF A RUINED
KINGDOM,
WHOSE FOLLY
MASSACRED
HER PEOPLE?

YOUR ESPOUSAL
OF MY LINEAGE
ENABLES THE RULE
OF MY EMPIRE TO
SPREAD TO THIS
LAND WITHOUT
FURTHER USELESS
CONFLICT.

...SUCH
THINGS
...

...DO NOT
UNDER-
STAND...

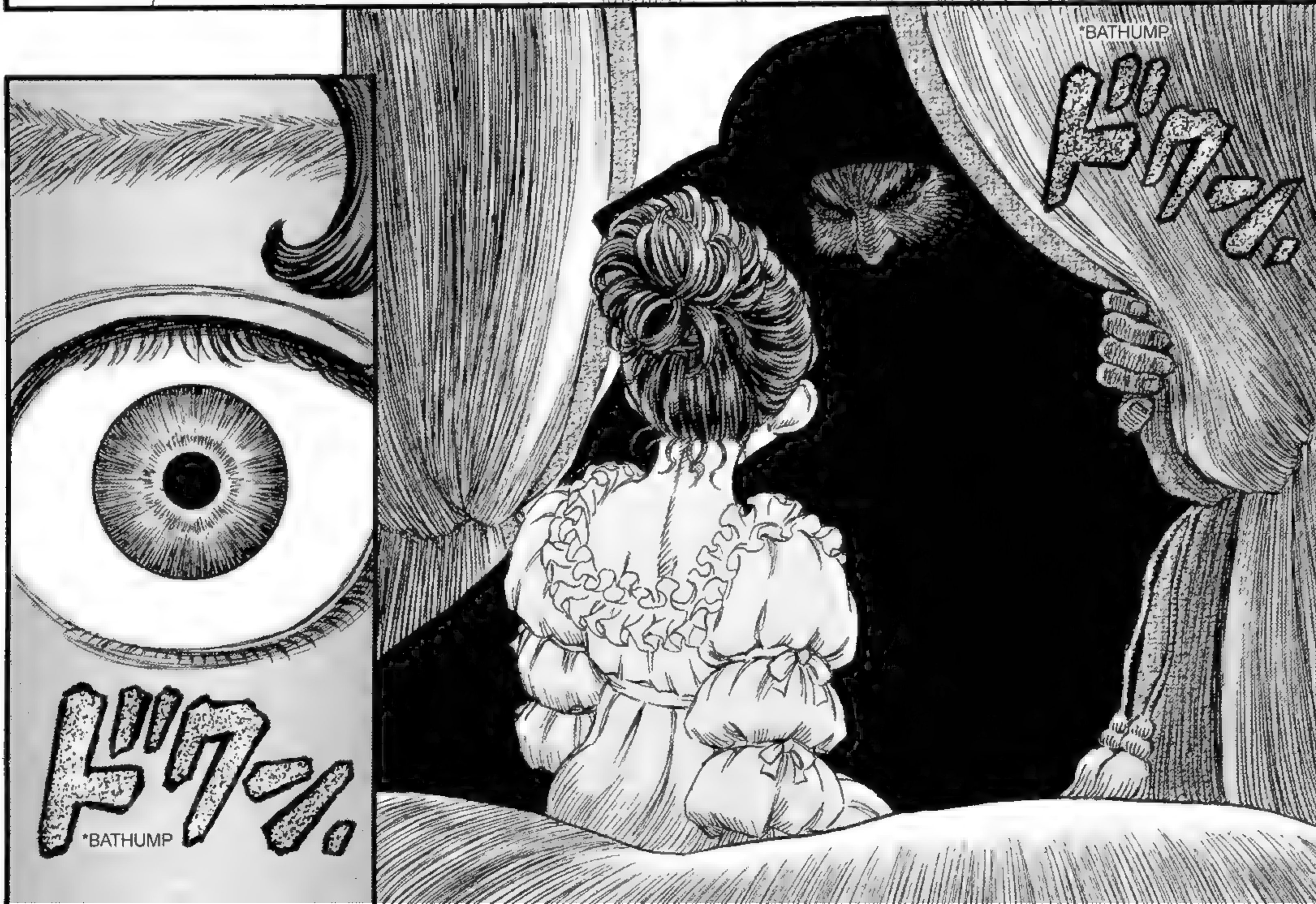
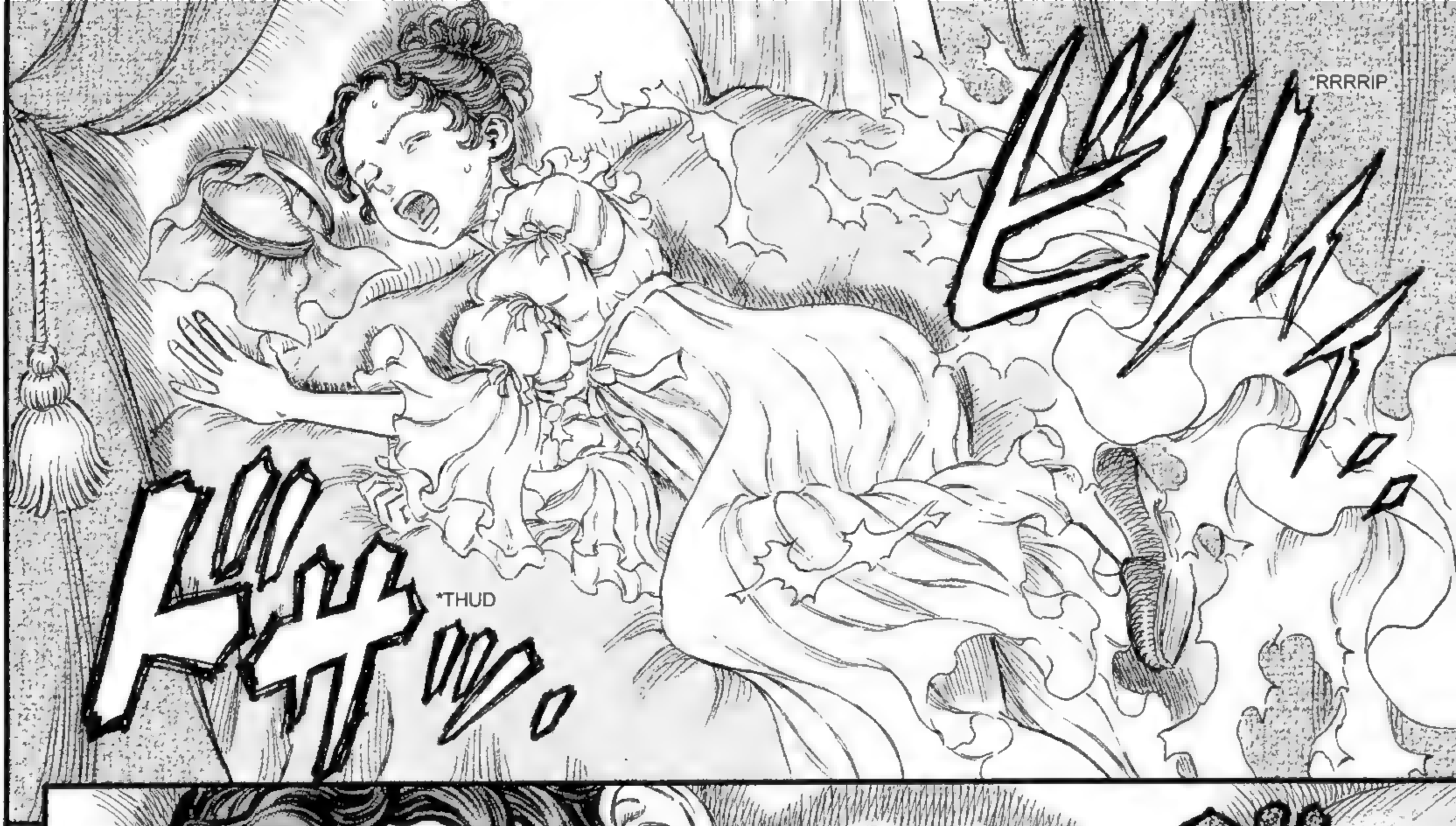
I...

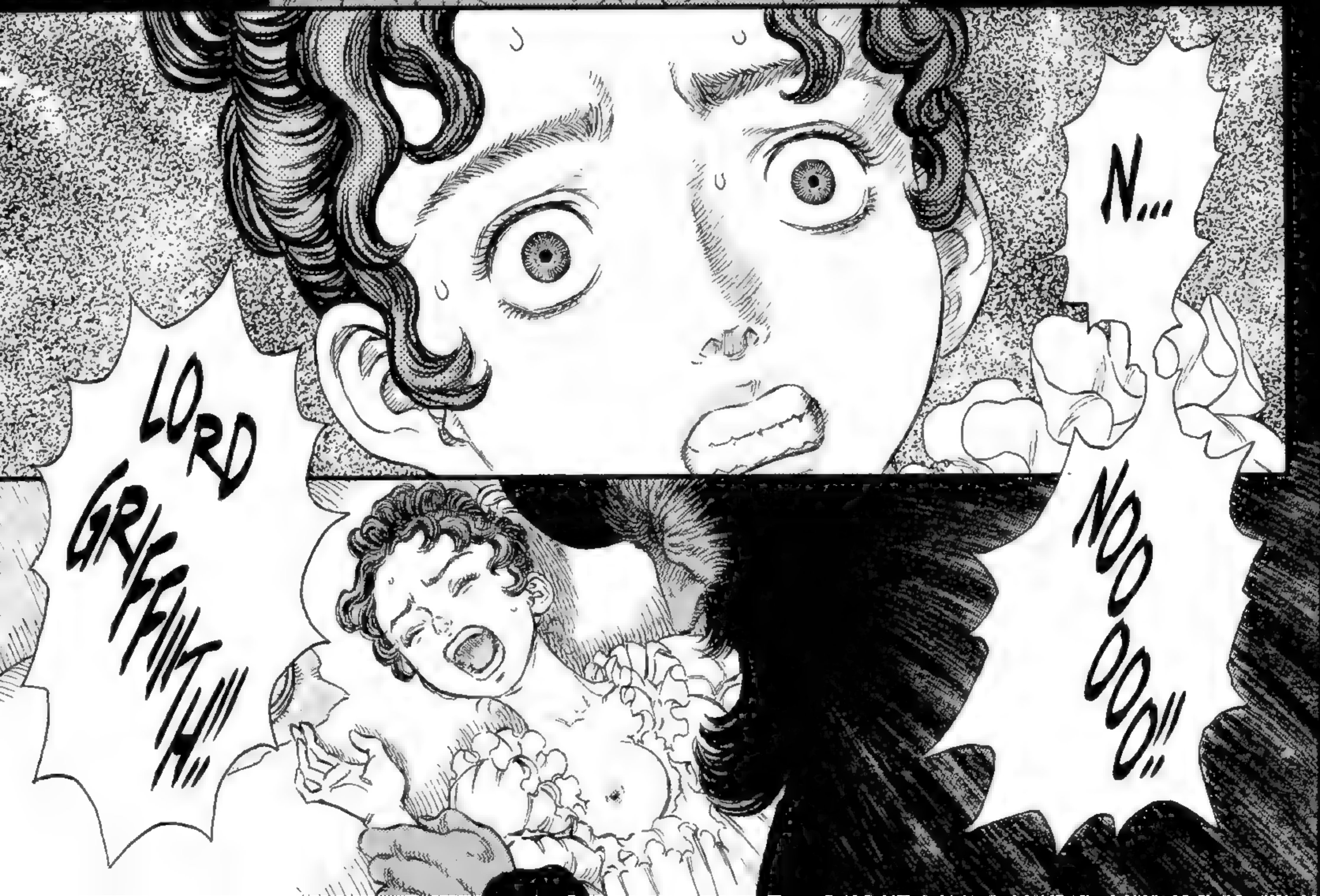
I...

GRASP

I'VE GIVEN
YOU AMPLE TIME,
SINCE THE
ROYAL CITY FELL,
TO PREPARE
FOR THIS DAY.

IT IS NOT
AS THOUGH
I WAS
BORN OF
A BEAST.







SHE
SAID...?

GRIFFITH...



WHAT'S
THIS...
?!



...IS THE
HAWK'S
LOVER
?!

THIS
GIRL...



NEVER
!!

IT'S
THE
HAWK
?!



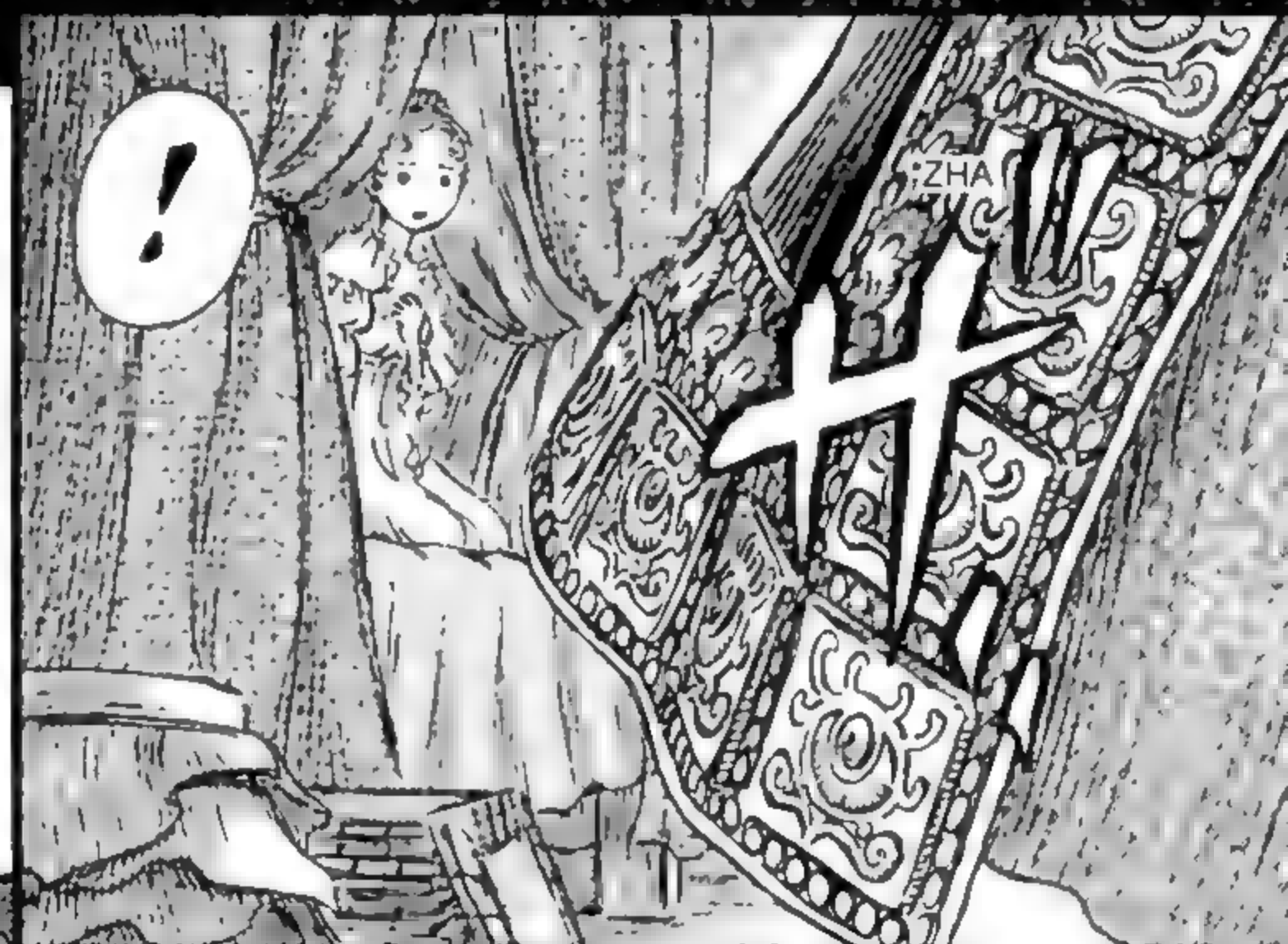


HUH
HUH
HUH
...

INTER-
ESTING.



HIGH-
NESSSSS
!!



!

ZHA

I THOUGHT
HAVING THAT
YOUNG GIRL
WOULD PROVIDE
ME WITH SOME
ENTERTAINMENT...

CONQUERING
THIS KINGLESS
KINGDOM IS
SIMPLE, BUT I'VE
GROWN A BIT
TIRED OF WAR.

...BUT WHO
KNEW SHE
HAD SOME
CONNECTION
TO THE
HAWK?





IT IS LIKE
DRAWING
NEAR TO
AND BEING
EMBRACED
BY GOD.

AND
CLEAVING
TO THE HAWK
IS SURELY
PARAMOUNT
FOR US
INHUMANS.

THE
APPEARANCE
OF THE HAWK.

IT SIGNIFIES THE
TRANSFIGURATION
OF THE WORLD.



THE
REINCARNATED
KNOW THAT
INSTINCTIVELY.

**BUT I AM
THE GREAT
EMPEROR...**

**...OF THE
KUSHAN
EMPIRE.**

**I CONTROL
THE VASTEST
TERRITORY IN
THE WORLD.**





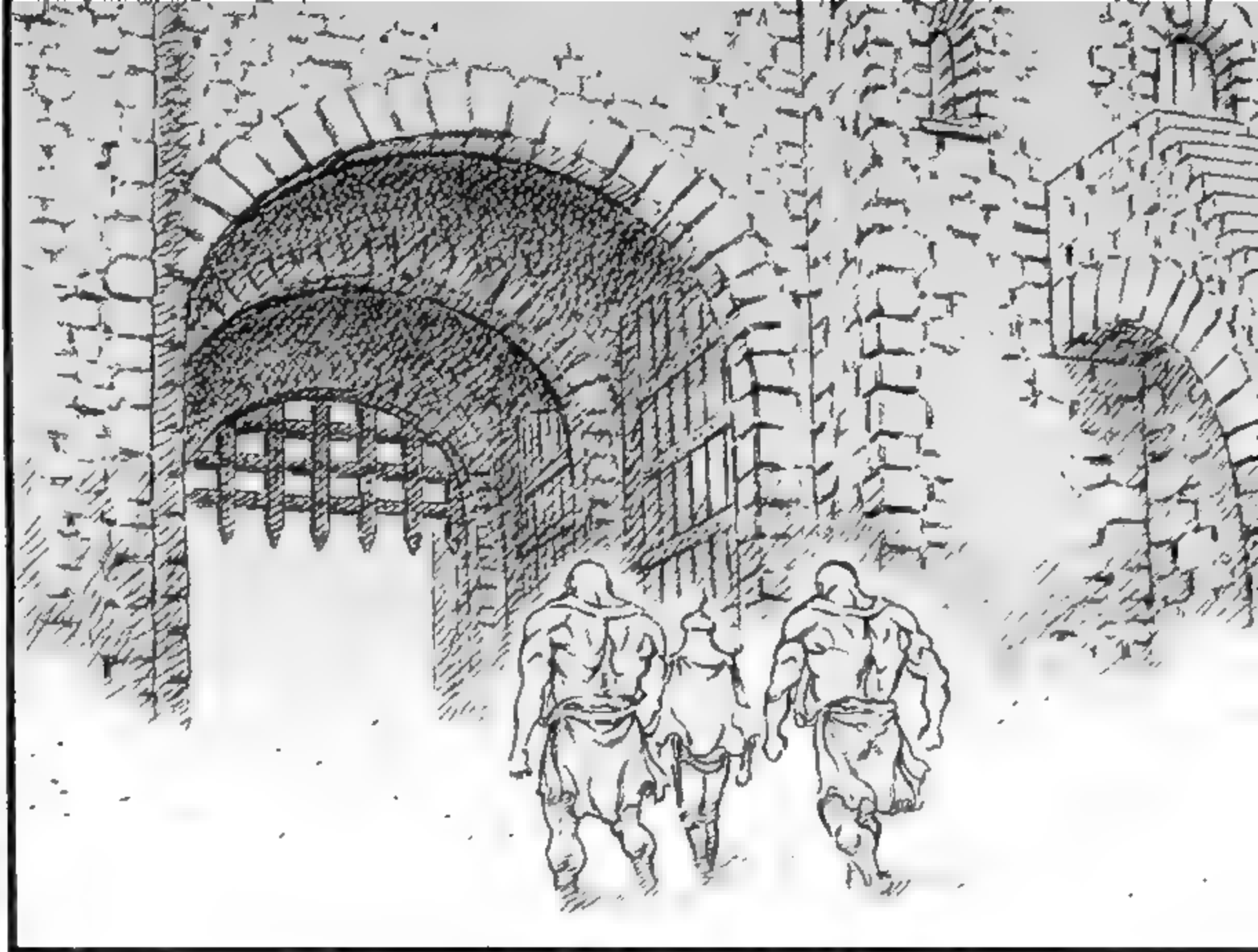
...THIS
WORLD
BELONGS
TO ME.

I WON'T
RELINQUISH
IT. EVEN
IF IT'S
BLOOD-
SMEARED
AND
DEFILED...

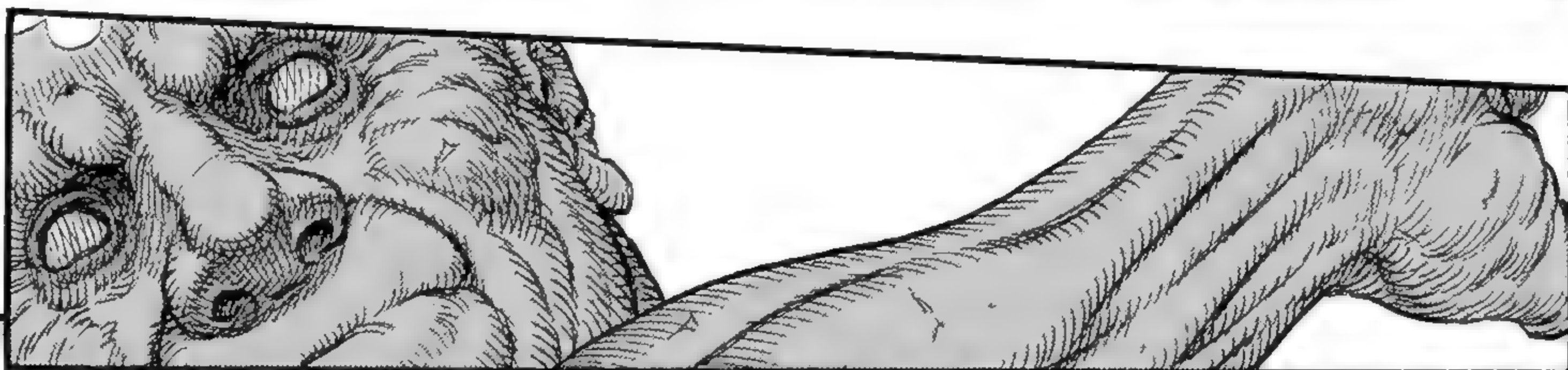
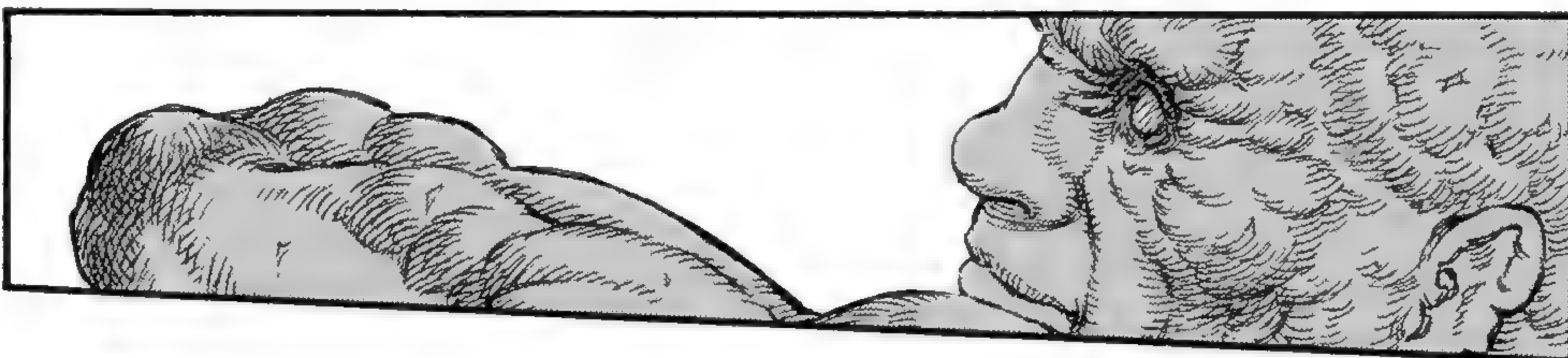
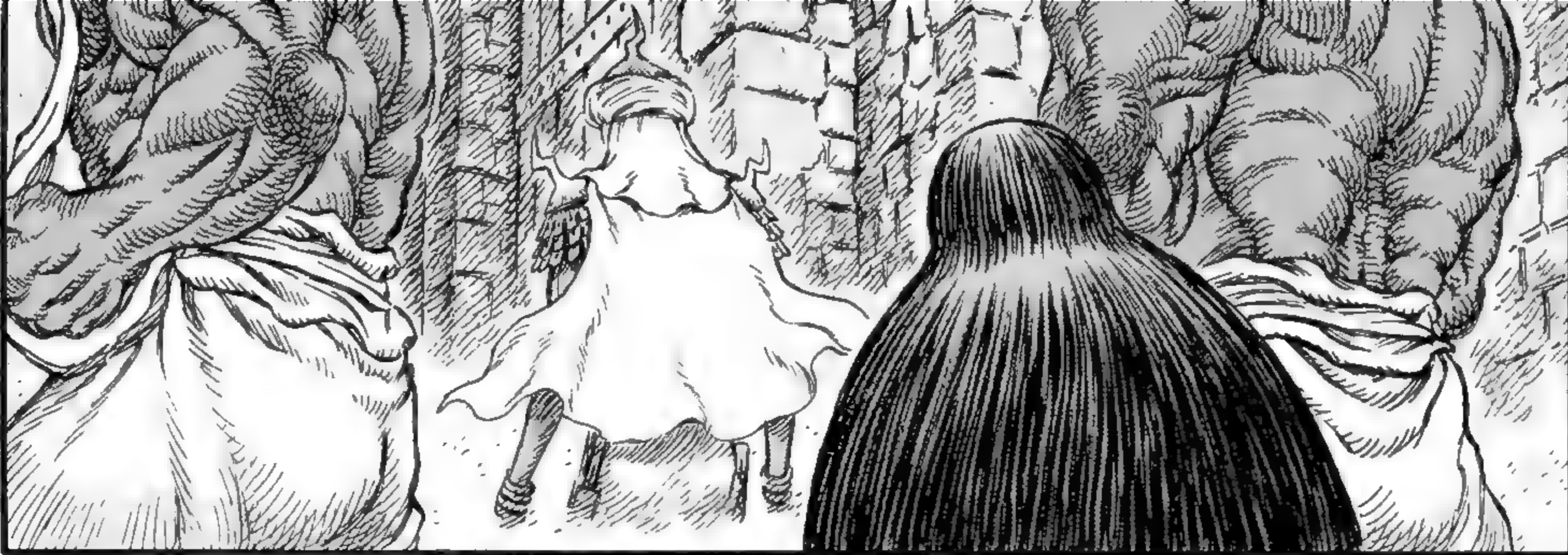


...AND
REBEL
AGAINST
GOD.

I'LL REIGN
OVER THIS
UNCLEAN
WORLD AS
A DEMON
KING...



THE DAKA 鬼兵(ダーカ)



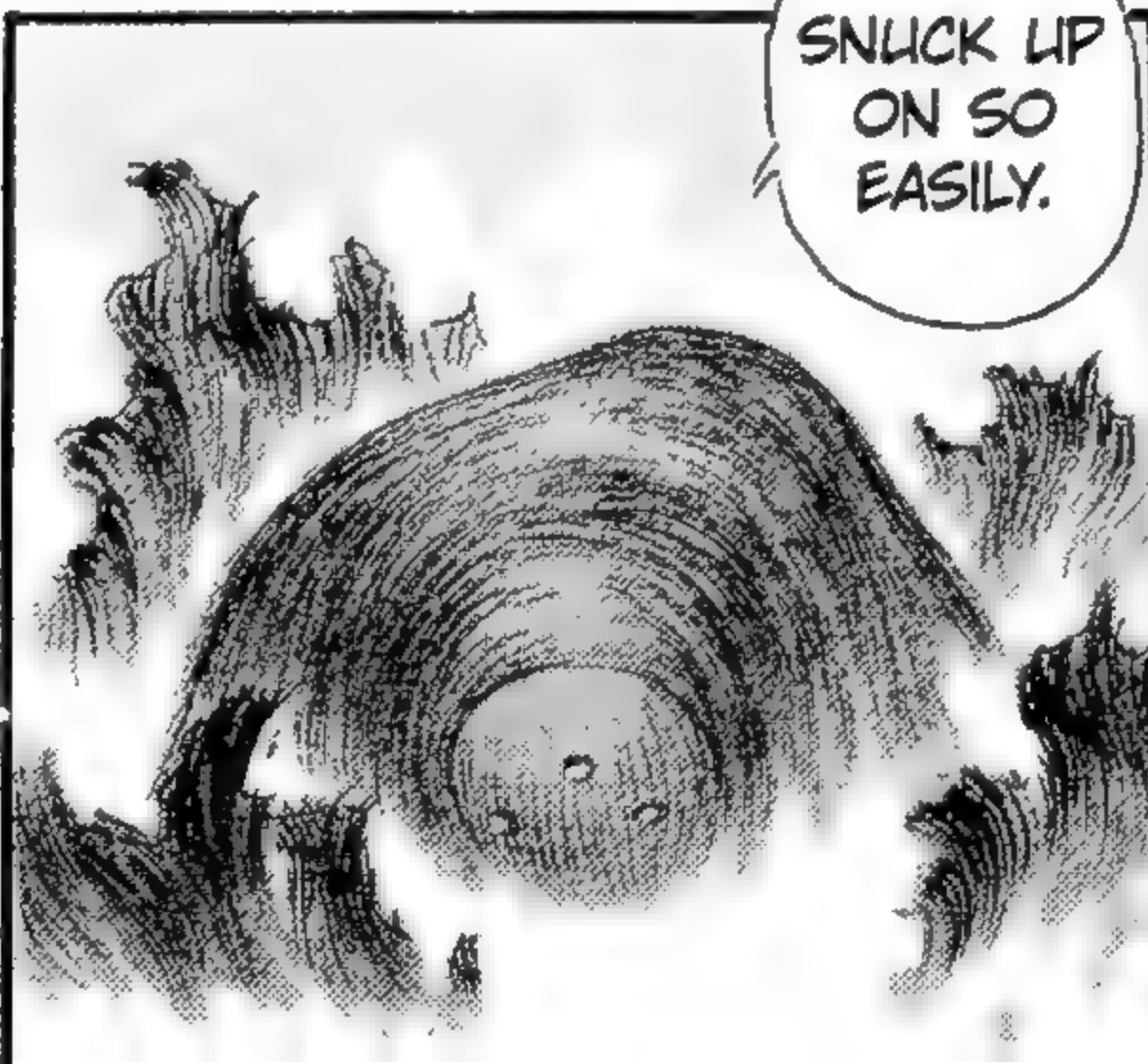


*FX: ZHHP

*FX: SHAP



*FX: FWASS

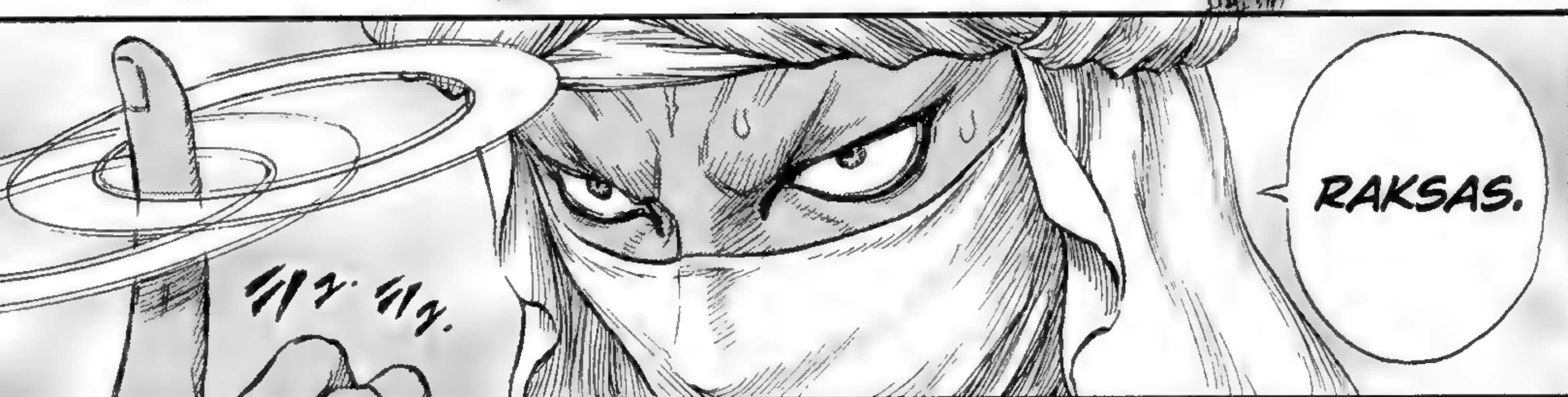


SNICK UP
ON SO
EASILY.



*VYNN

*FX: SHRLLL



*FX: SHH SHH



...AN
ASSASSIN
WHO
REVEALS
HIS
PRESENCE.

IF SO,
YOU
ARE THE
CARELESS
ONE...

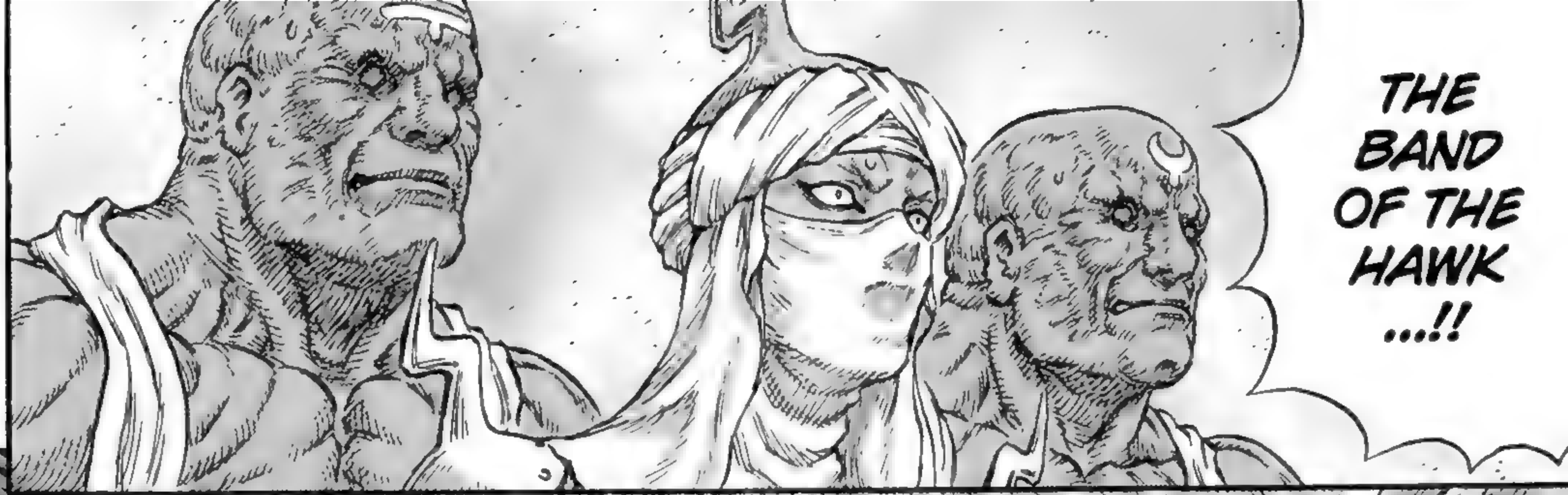
ON
ORDERS TO
ASSASSINATE
THE
EMPEROR?

WHY'RE
YOU
HERE IN
WINDHAM?



*FX: DMDMDMDMD





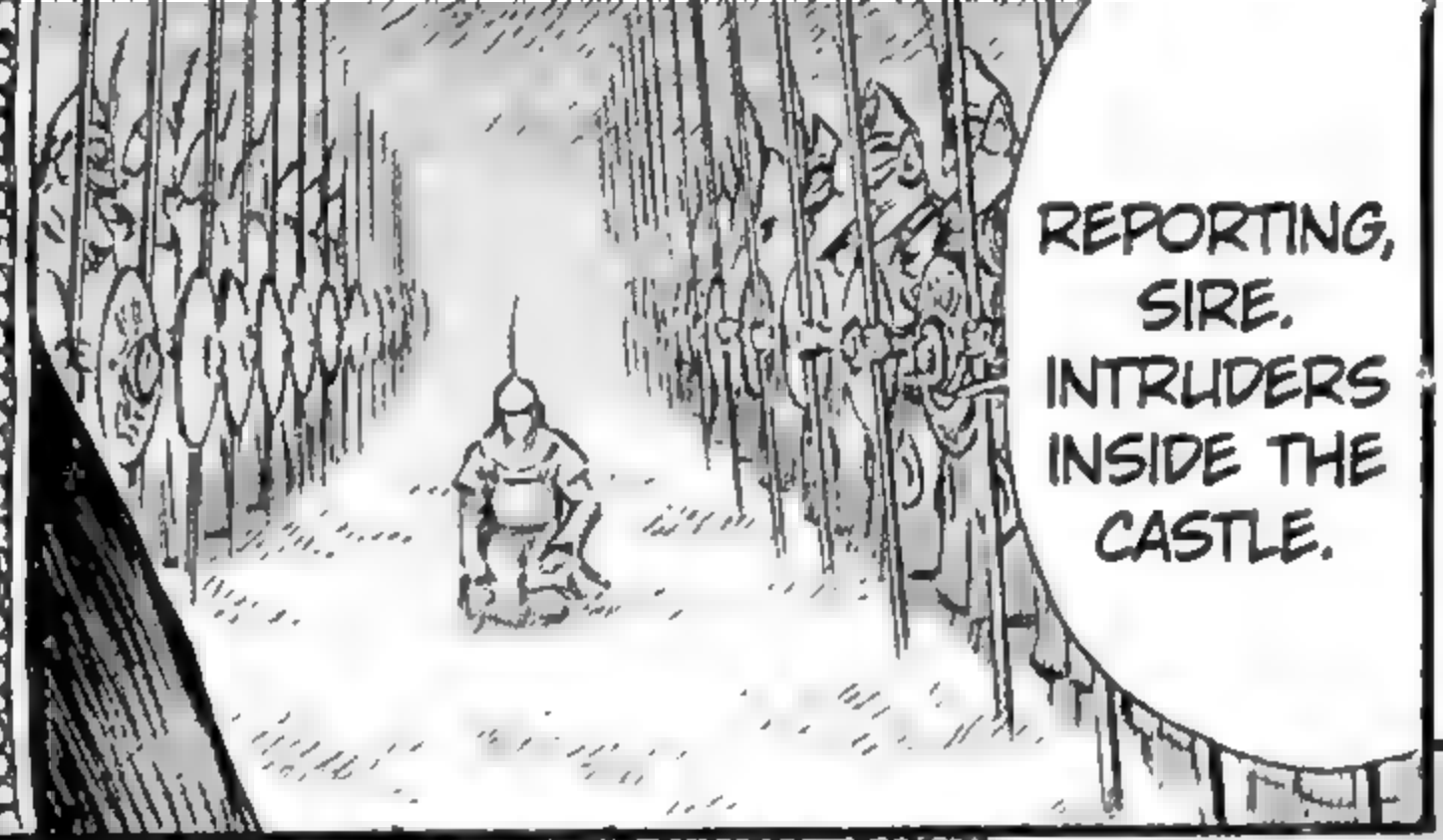
THE
BAND
OF THE
HAWK
...!!



HEH



I KNOW.



REPORTING,
SIRE.
INTRUDERS
INSIDE THE
CASTLE.



WHAT
POWER HAS
THE BAND
OF THE
HAWK...?

I NEVER
EXPECTED
A DIRECT
ATTACK
WITH THOSE
NUMBERS.



...HOW FAR
INTO MY
DEMON
CASTLE
THAT POWER
WILL LAST.

I
WONDER...



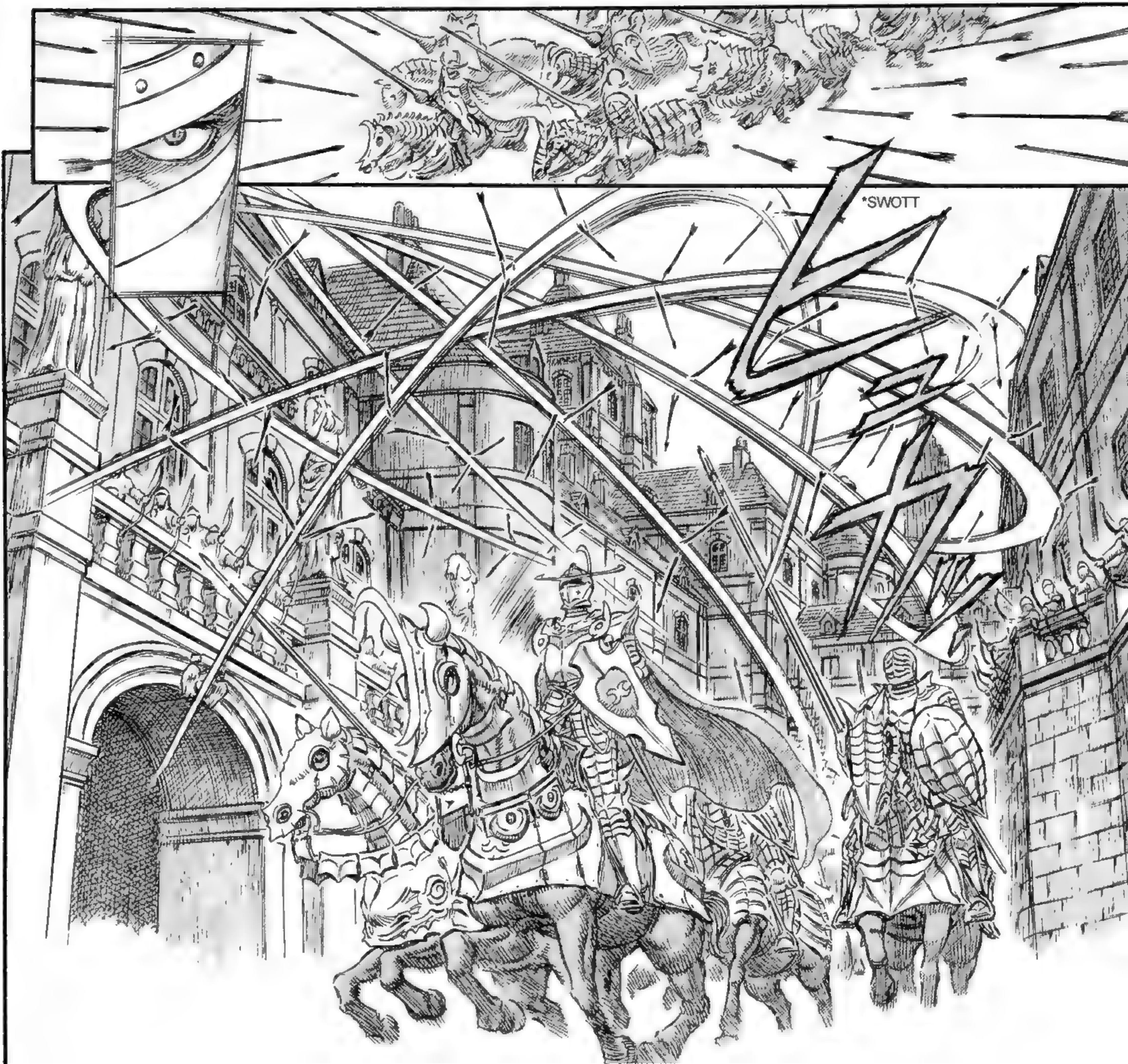
*THWIP

*THWIP

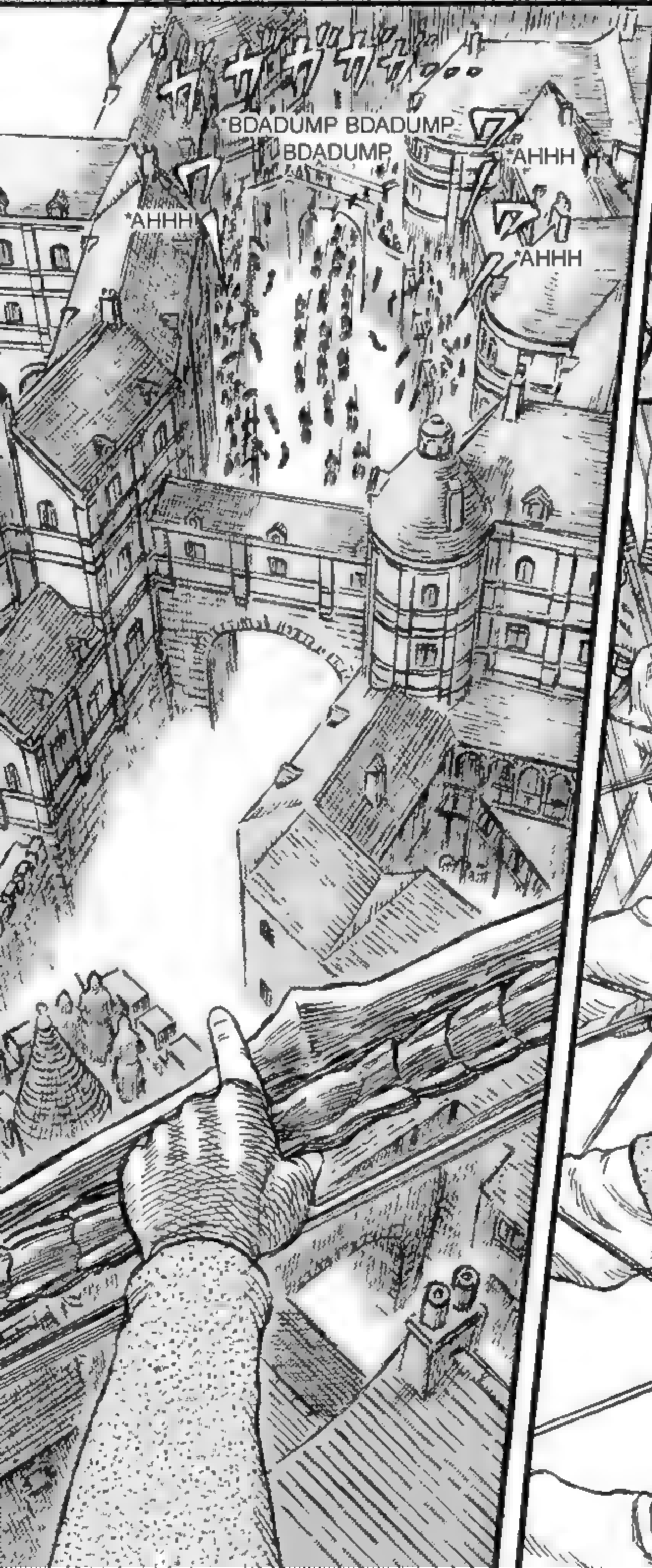
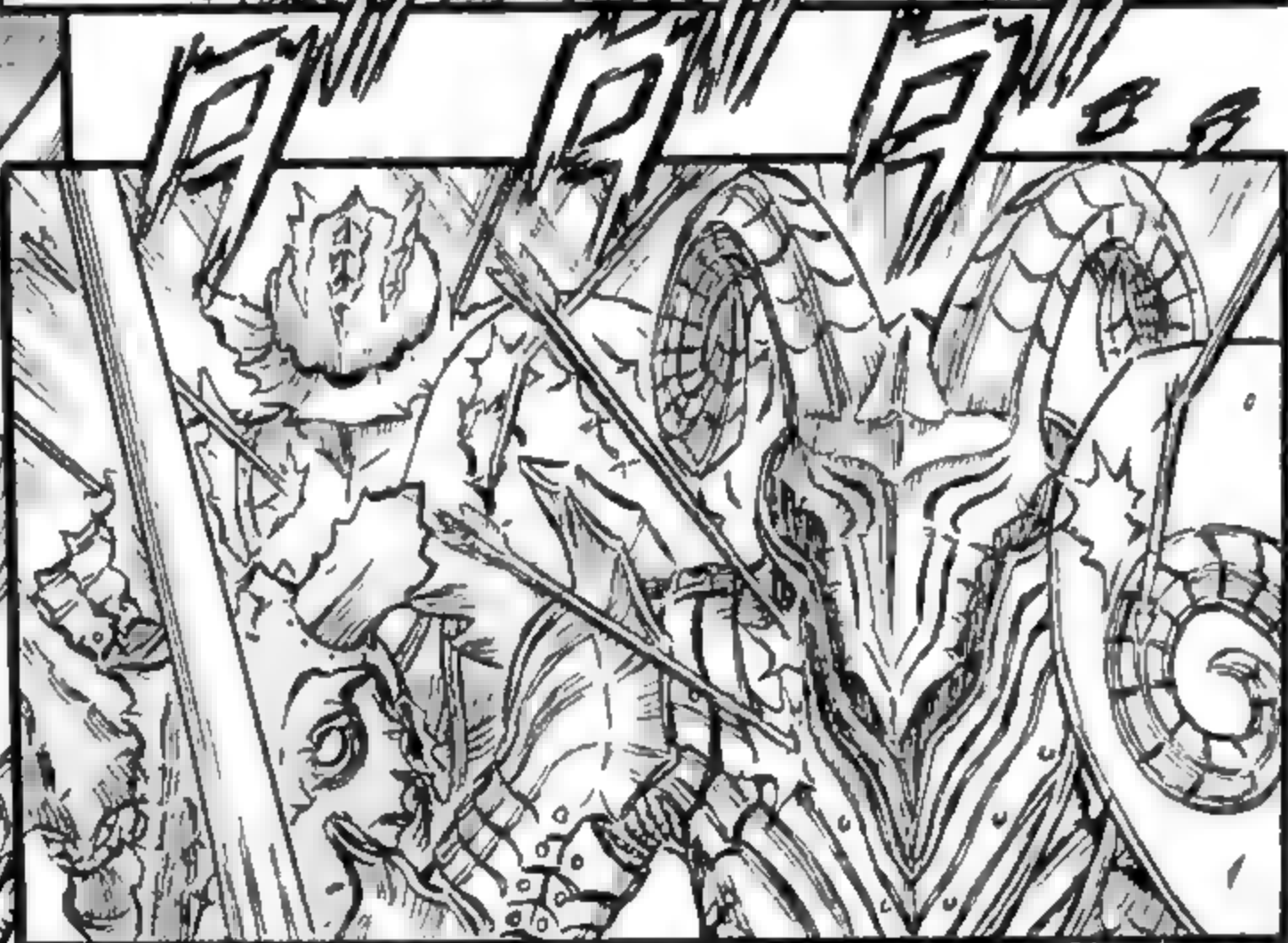
*THWIP

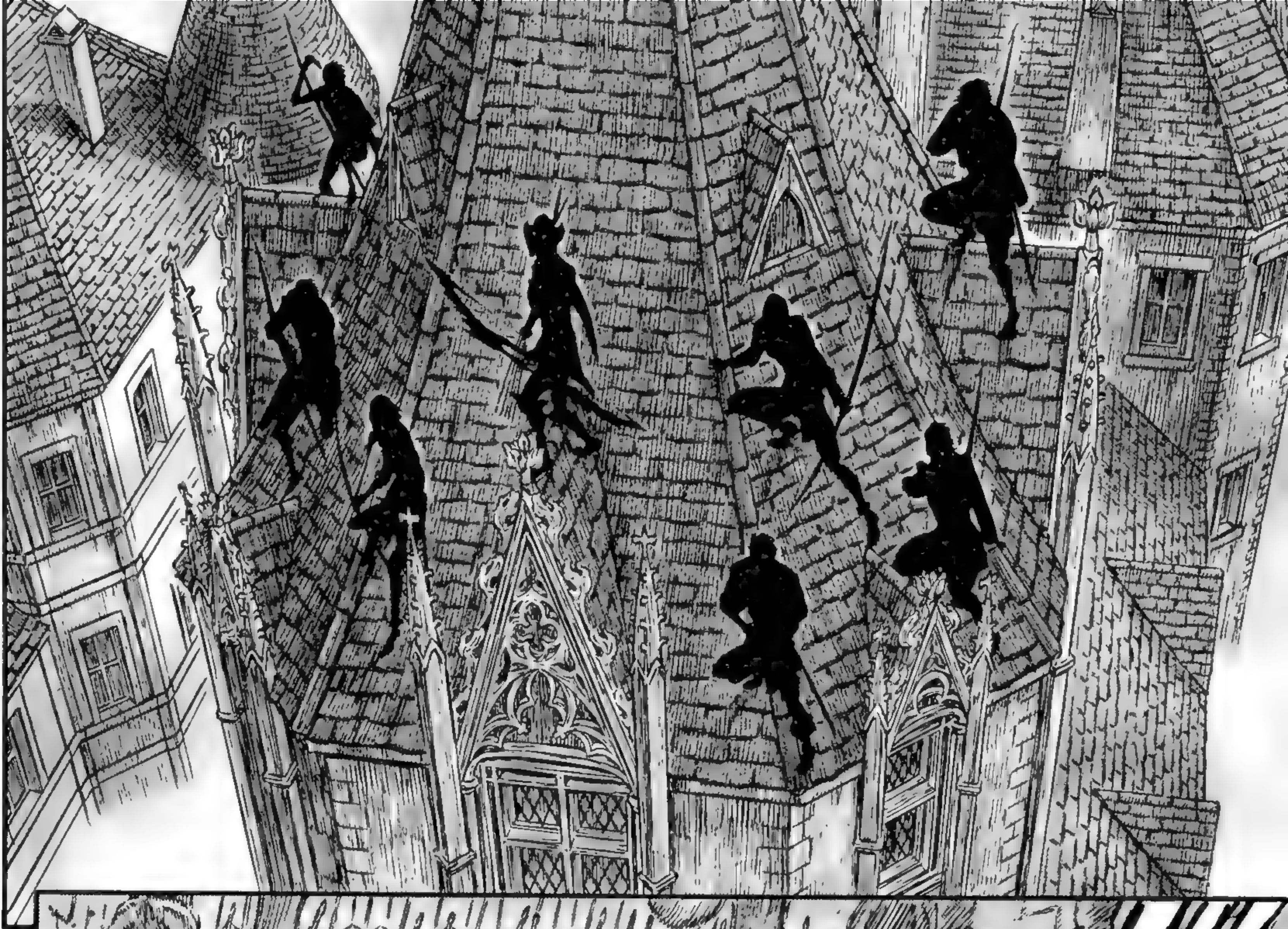
*THWIP

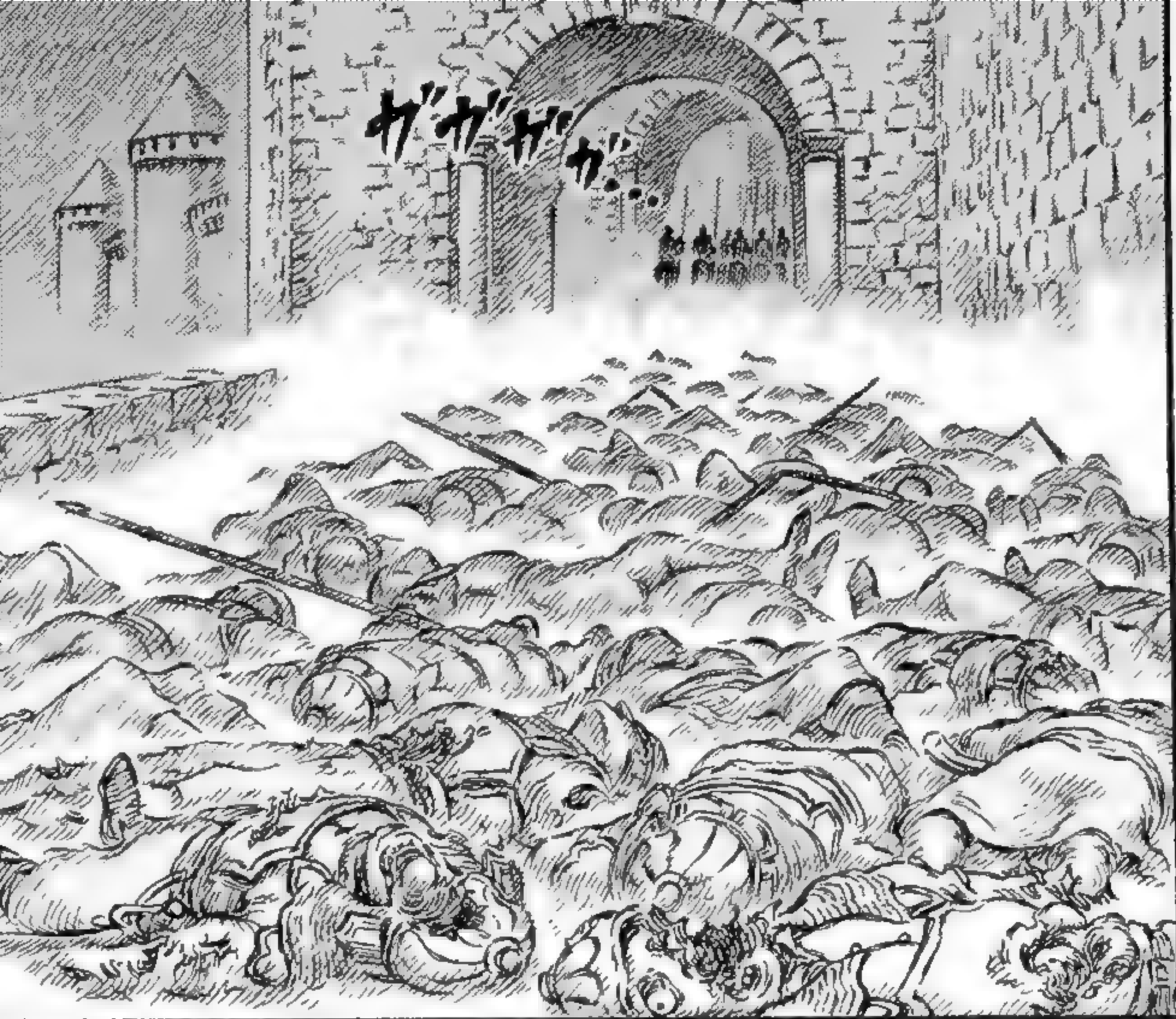
*THWIP



*SWOTT







*FX: BDADUMP BDADUMP



*FX: CHALP CHALP



...ARE NO
MATCH FOR
INHUMAN
OPPONENTS.

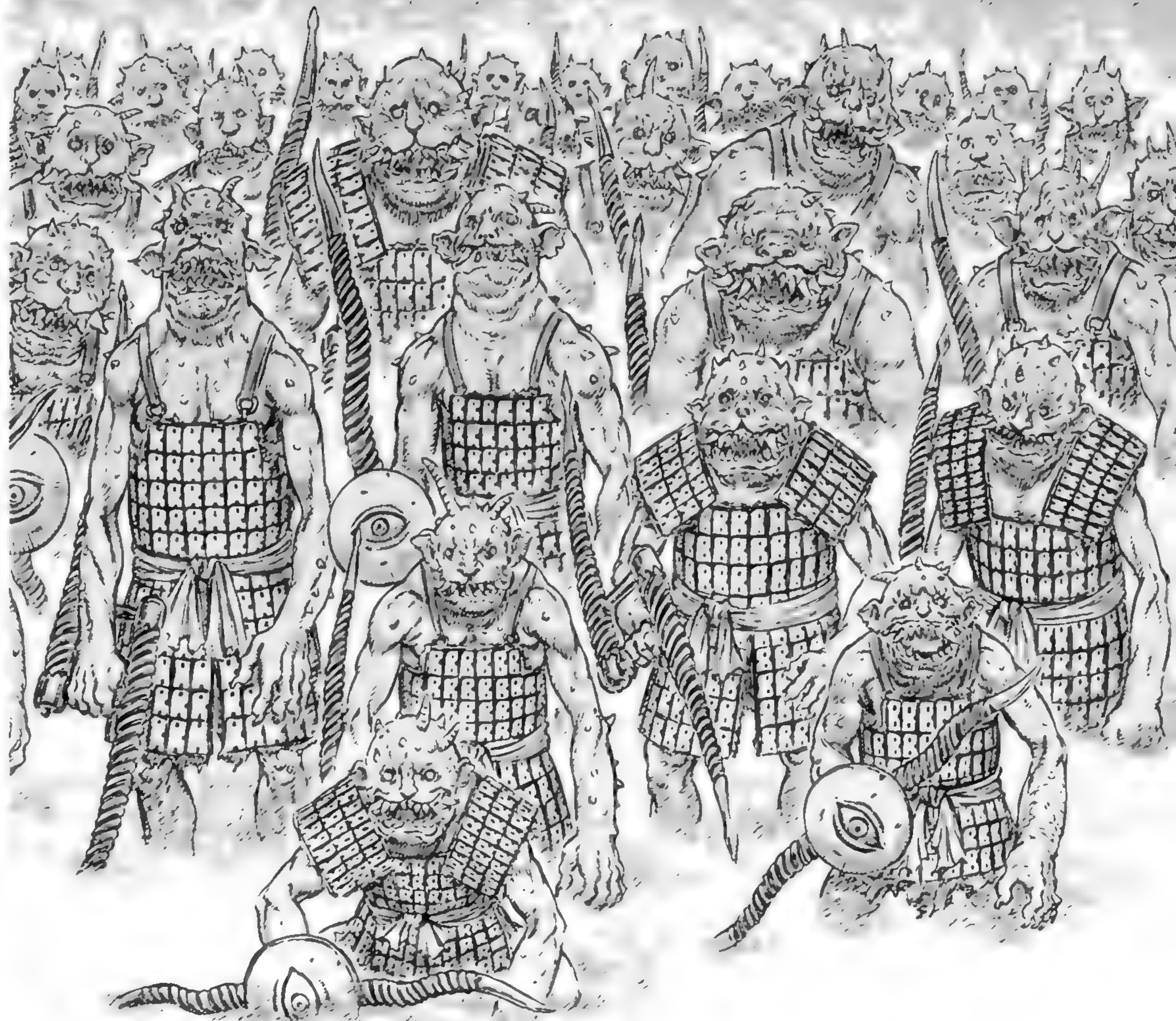
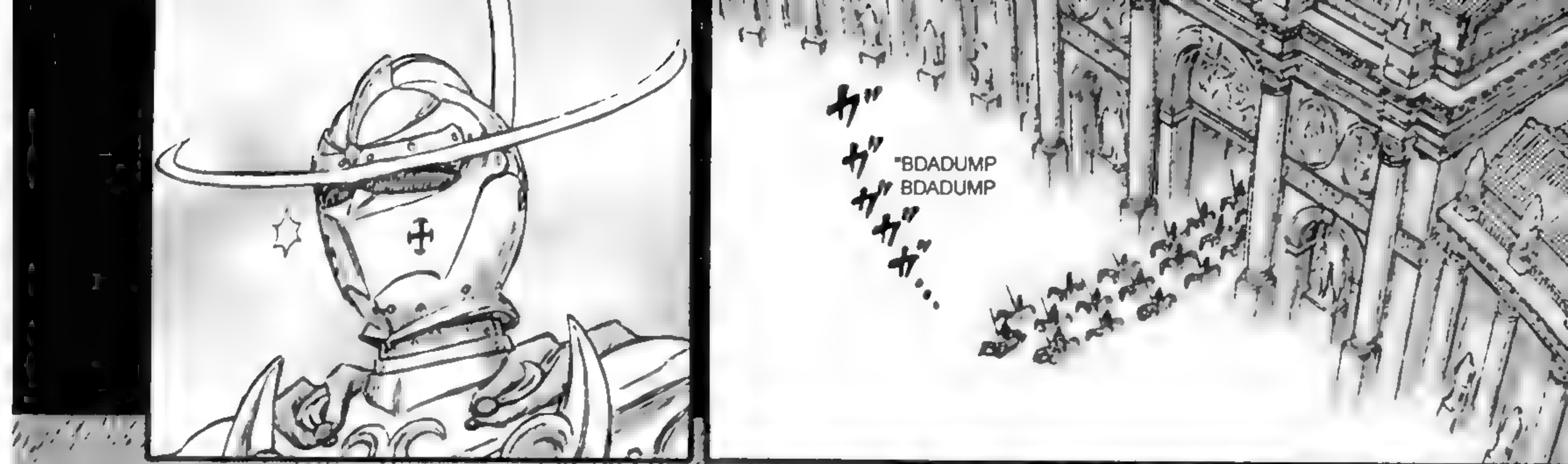
SO INDEED,
HUMAN
SOLDIERS...

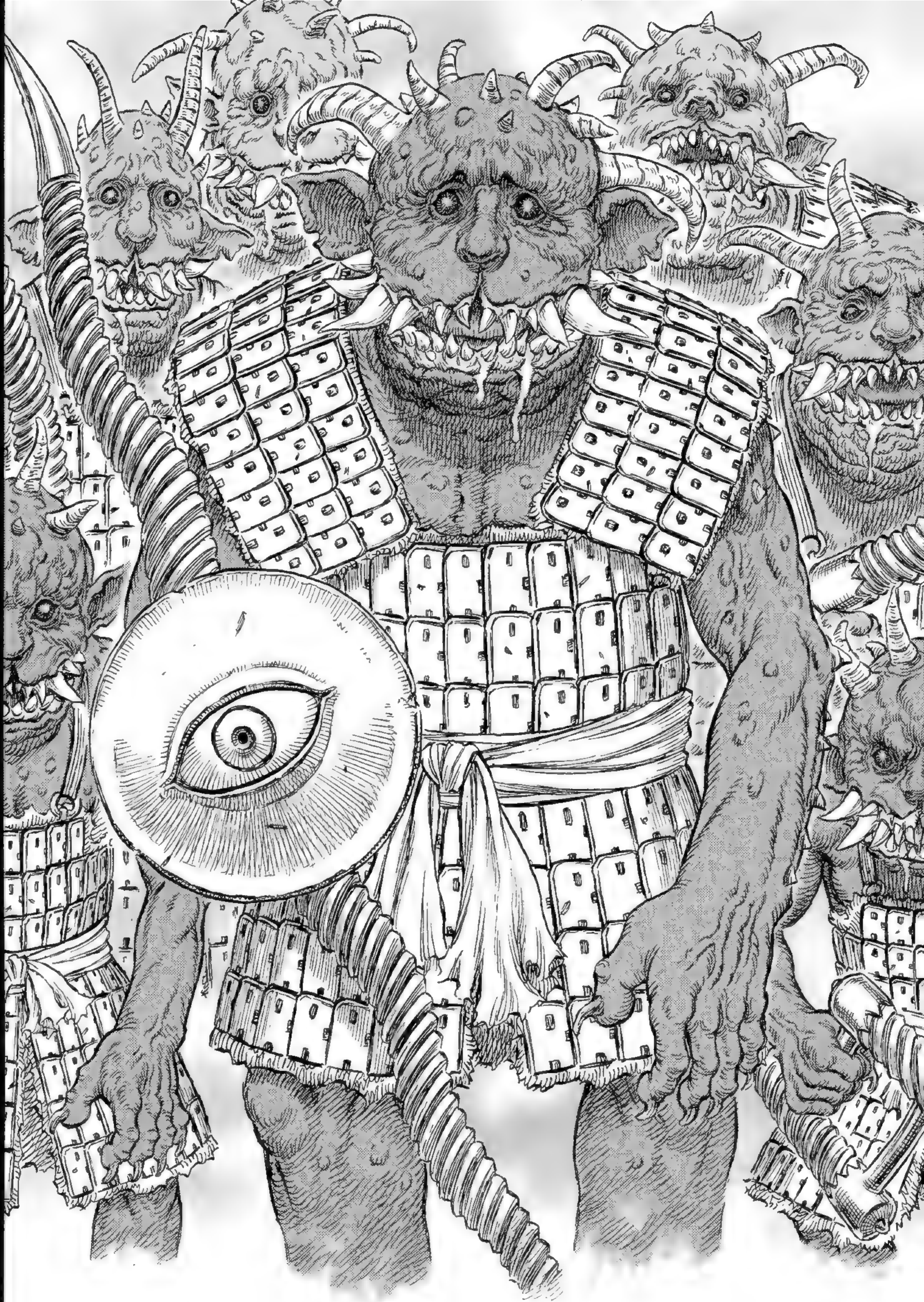
LET THEM
FACE THE
DAKA.



LURE
THEM TO
THE RE-
TRENCH-
MENT.









*FX: HHHH HHHH



*FX: NEEEE



WHAT ARE...



SOLDIERS LIKE DEMONS FROM HELL I BORE THROUGH SECRET ARTS.

DAKA.

!



I PRESUME YOU TO BE HIS MAJESTY, THE GREAT EMPEROR?

*GCHAK

I AM LOCUS, CAPTAIN OF THE BAND OF THE HAWK'S LANCERS.

WELCOME
TO MY
DEMON CASTLE,
VALOROUS
SOLDIERS
OF THE
HAWK.

I AM
INDEED THE
GREAT
EMPEROR
GANISHKA
OF THE
KUSHAN
EMPIRE.

I CAN
ONLY TERM
IT FOOL-
HARDINESS.

...INVADING THIS
CASTLE WITH YOUR
NUMBER IS TOO
RECKLESS.

BUT NO
MATTER HOW
SUPERIOR EACH
OF YOU IS AS
A WARRIOR...

...BUT
AS AN
APOSTLE.

I ASK
THIS NOT
AS A
MAN...

...TO
GAUGE
MY
POWER?

OR
IS THE
ORDER
OF THE
HAWK...



...OPPOSE
THE
MASTER?

WHY DO
YOU...



GU
HAH
HAH
HAH...

GUH



...
KNÄVE.

SO
SAY
YOU...

**I AM THE
ONE AND ONLY
FUNDAMENTAL
IN THIS WORLD
OF FILTH.
TO TAKE THAT
FROM ME,
IT WOULD BE
PAID FOR
IN BLOOD.**

**KING
AMONG
KINGS.**

**I AM THE
EMPEROR.**



**EVEN IF IT
BE BY GOD
COME DOWN
TO EARTH,
THERE IS
NO ESCAPING
THIS FACT.**

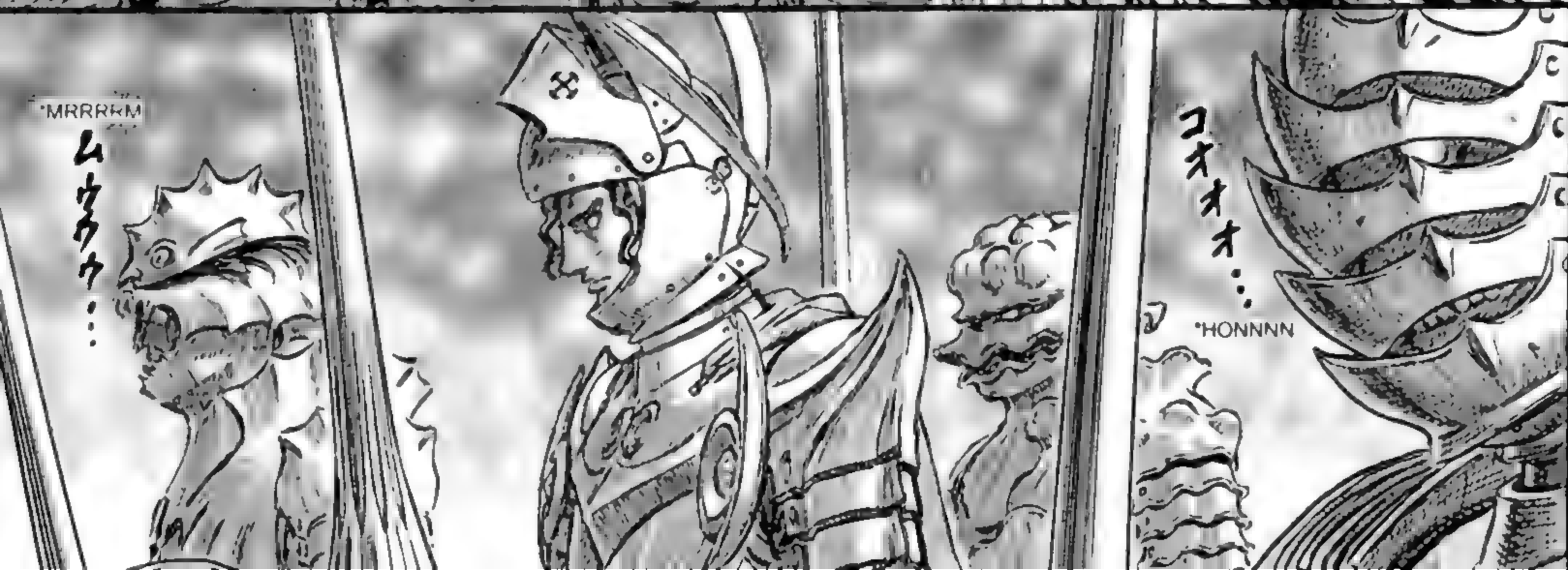
**I HAVE
TRAMPLED
MORE
BENEATH
ME THAN
ANY OTHER
IN THIS
WORLD.**



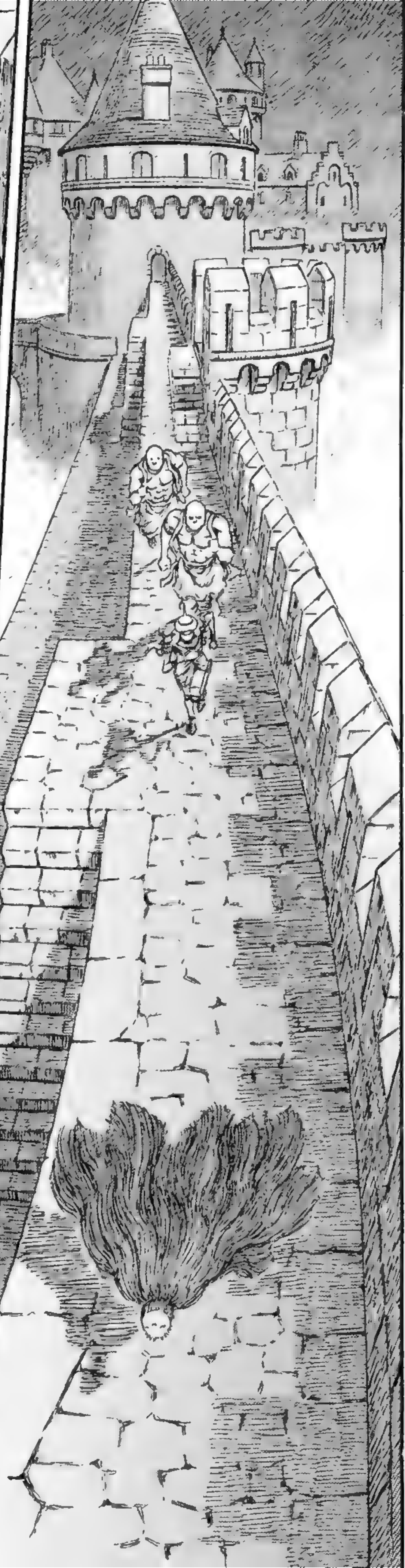
...I WILL
TAKE AND
DESECRATE
GOD.

WITH MY
OWN
BLOOD-
DRENCHED
HANDS...

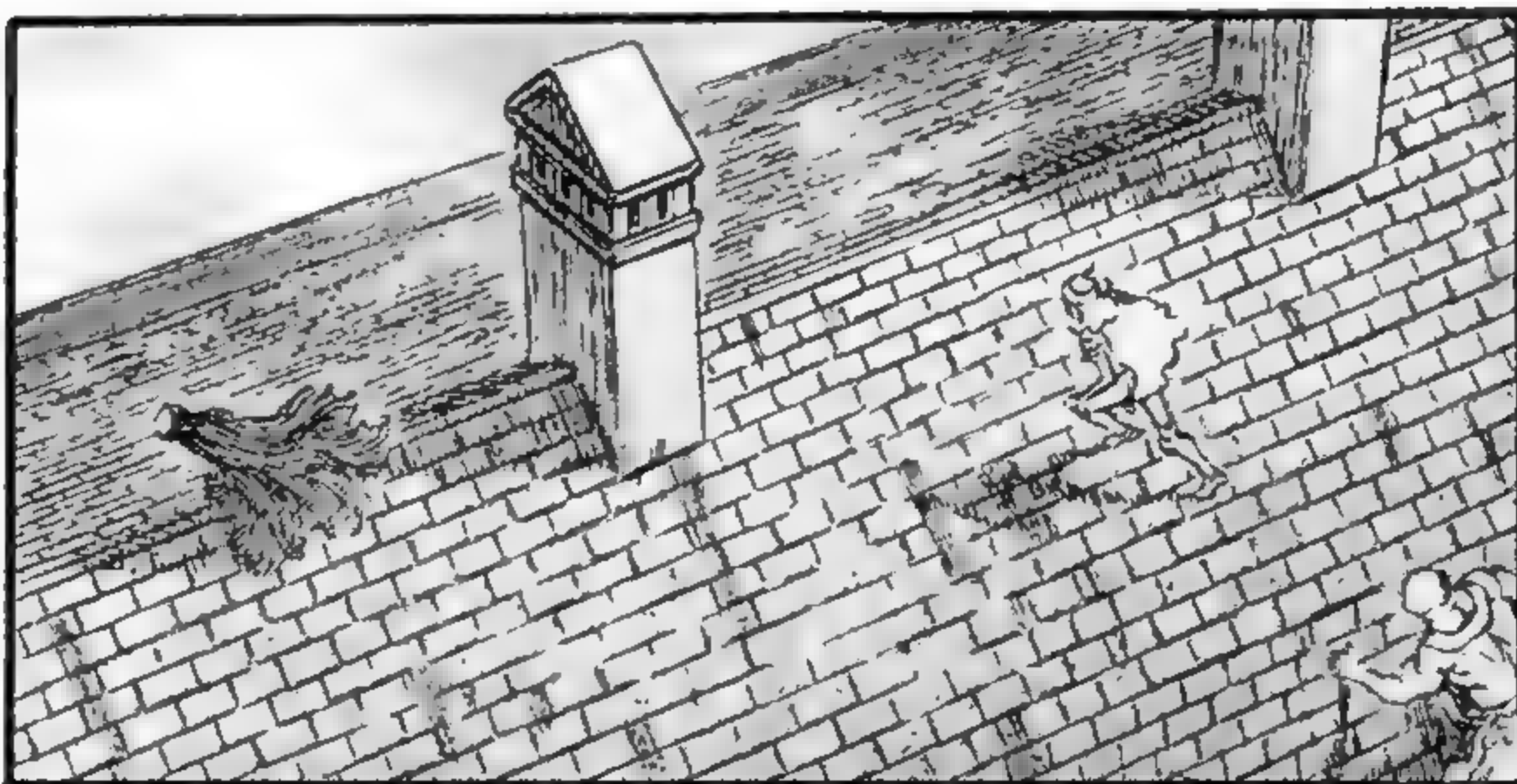
NO...





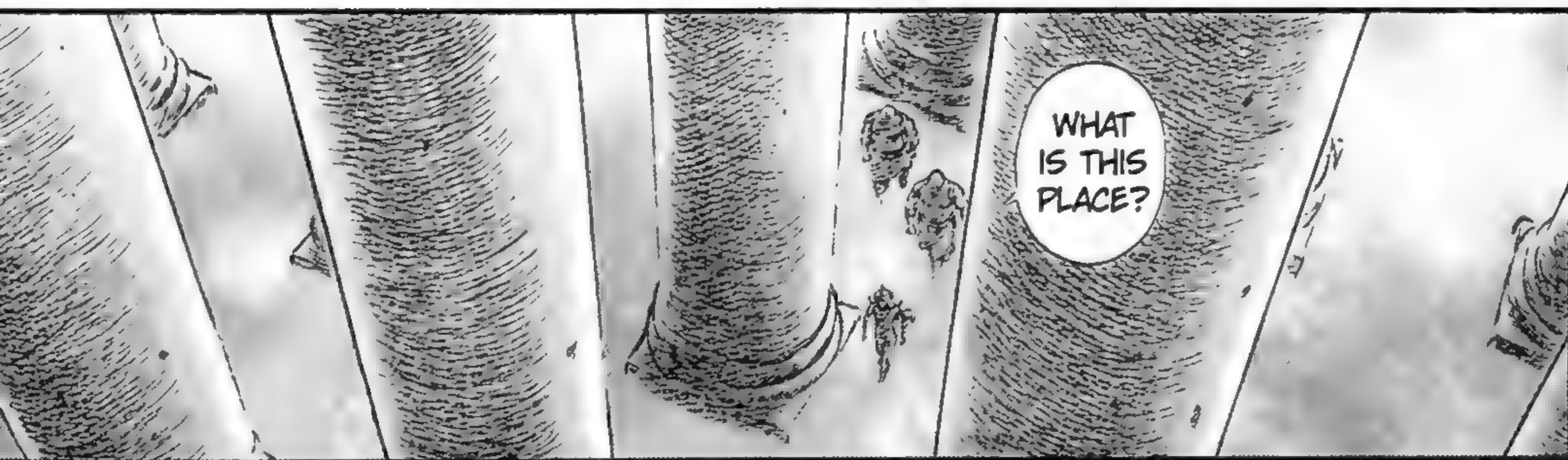


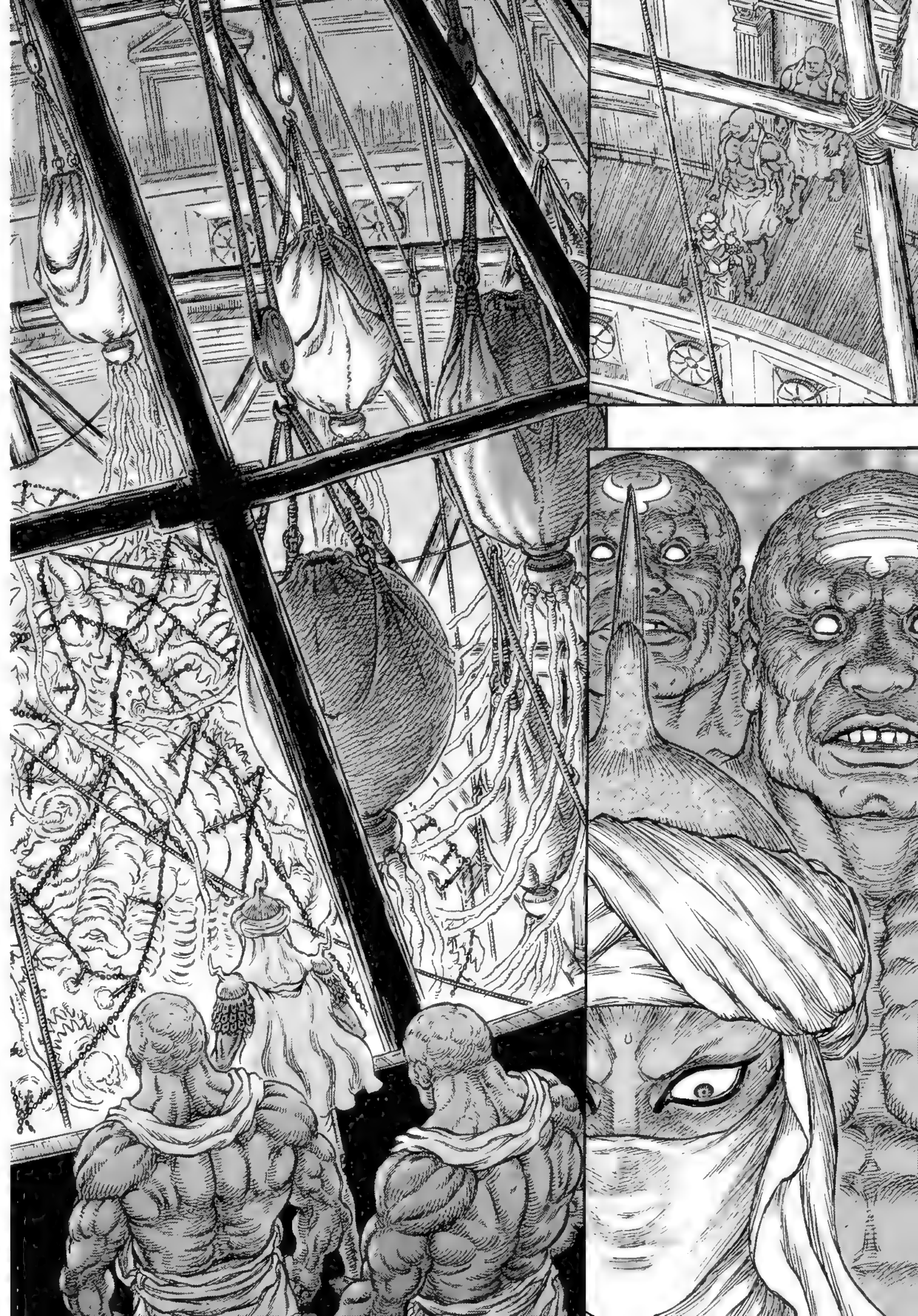
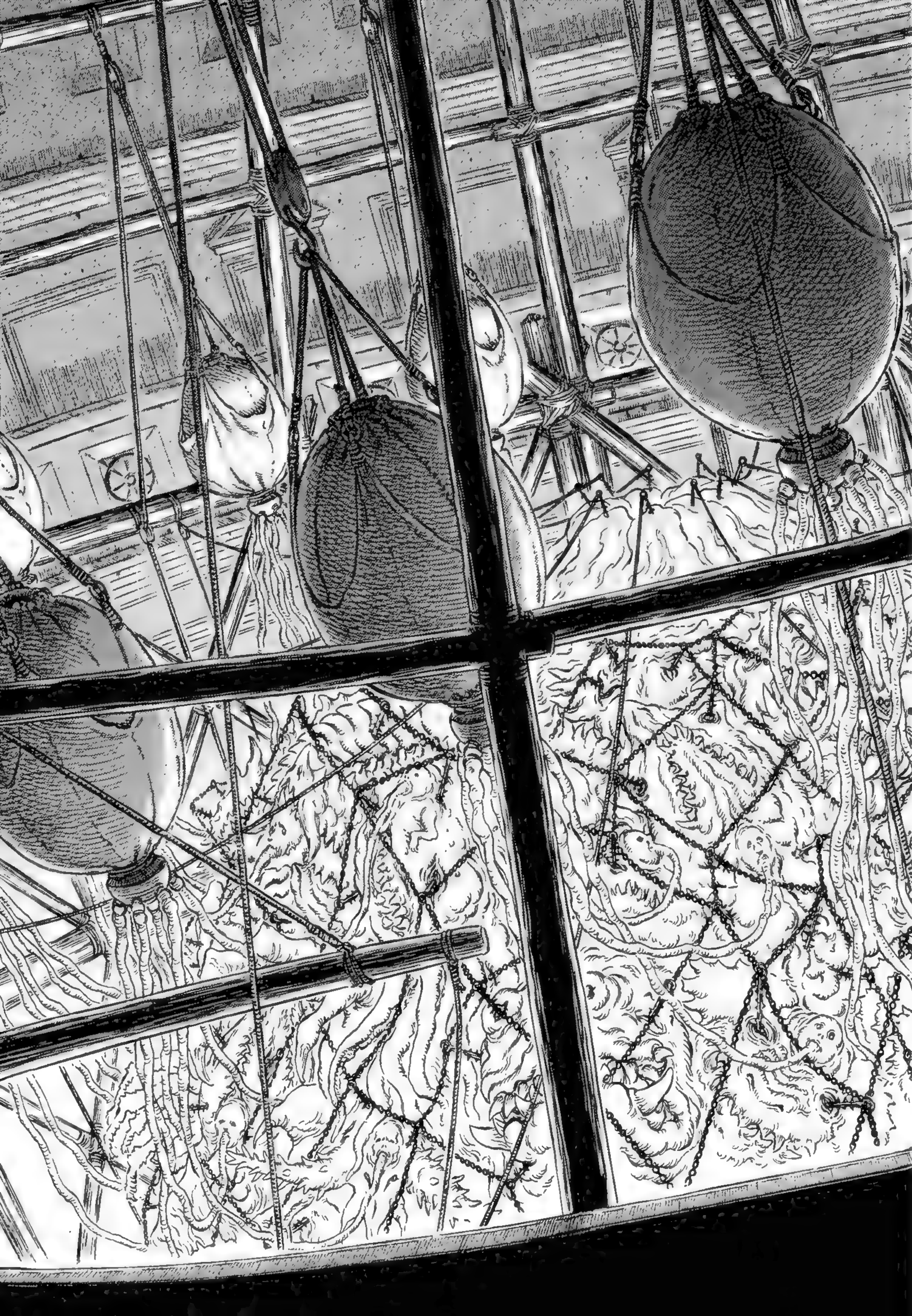
DEMON KNIGHTS
魔騎士

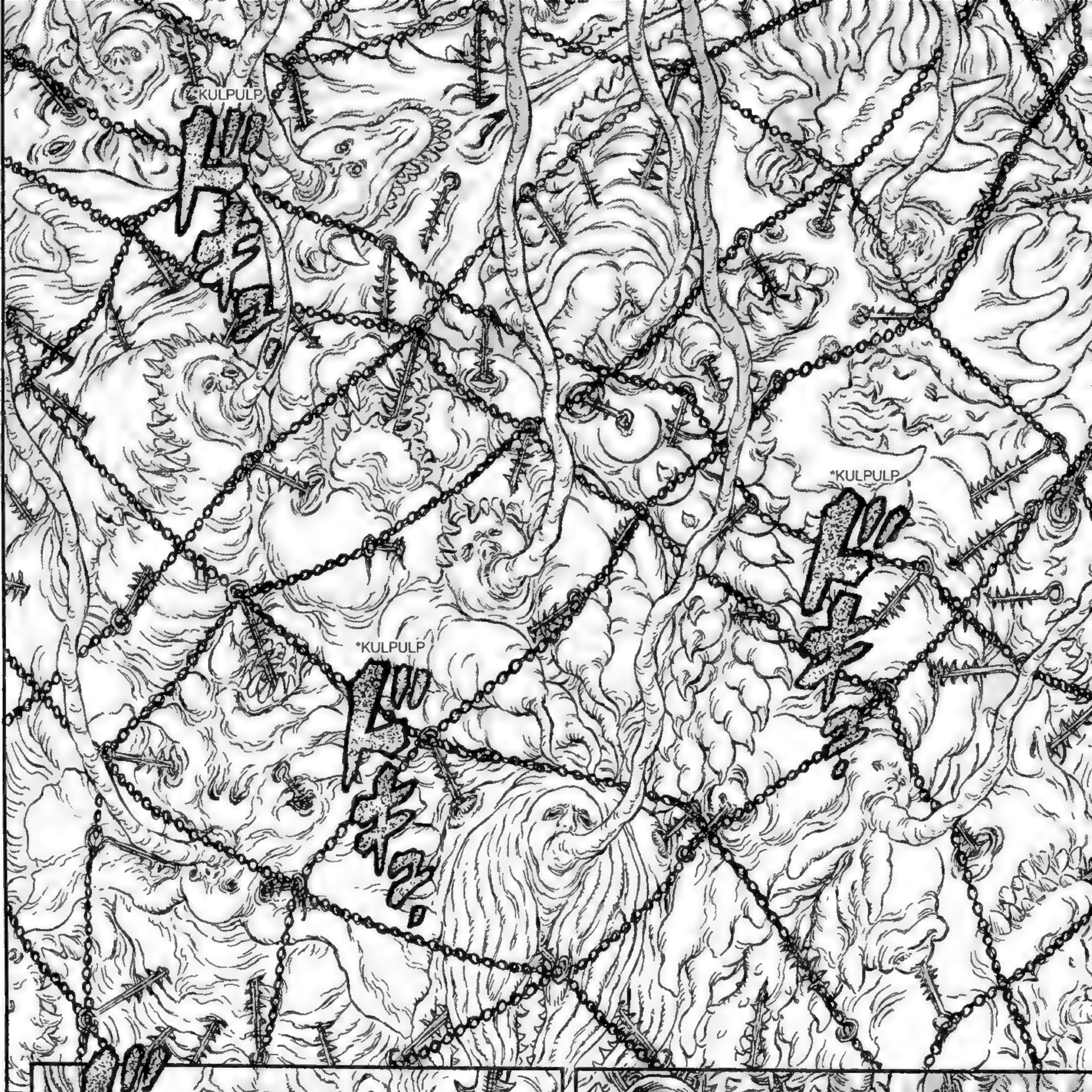


...IS HE
LURING
US?



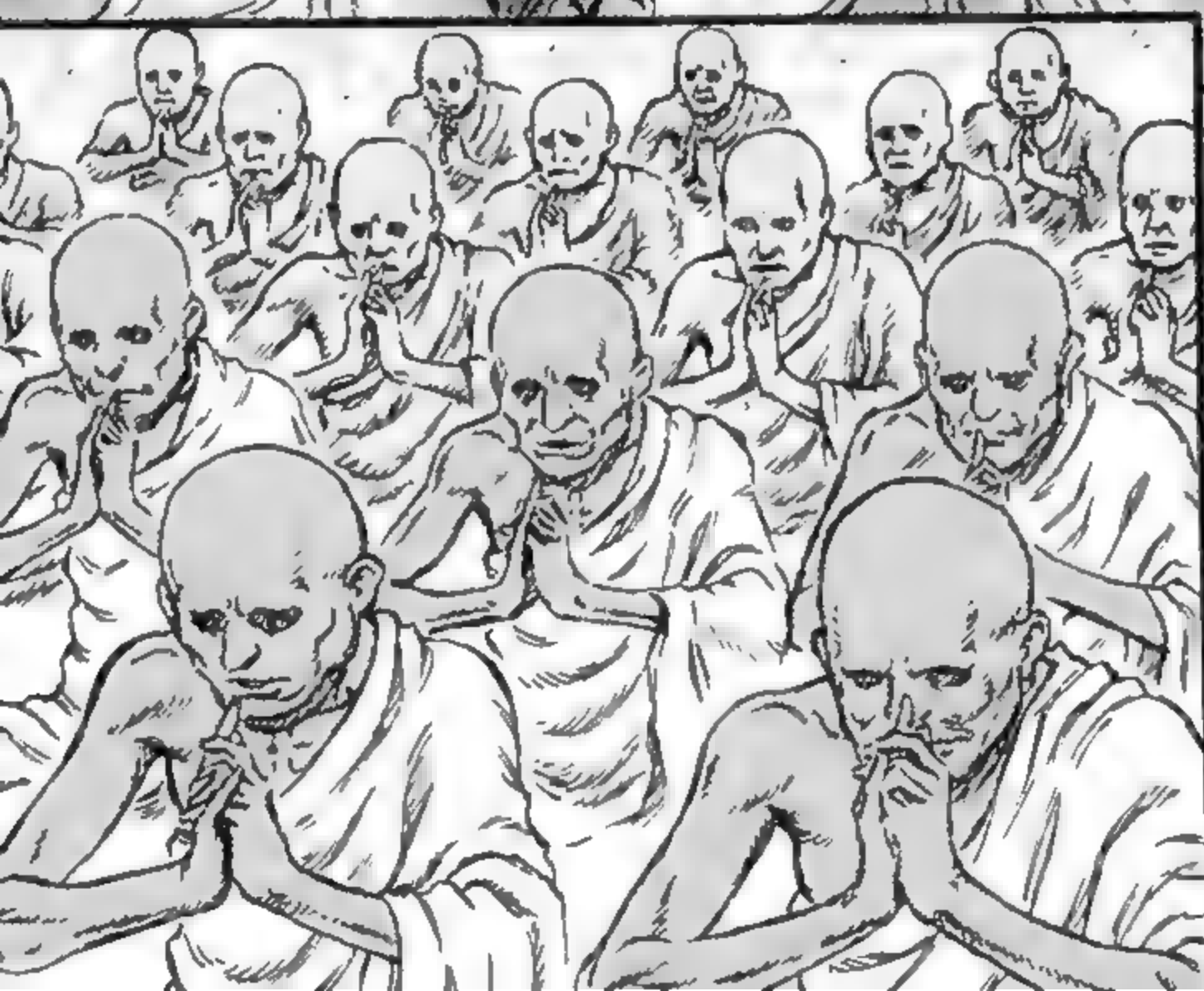


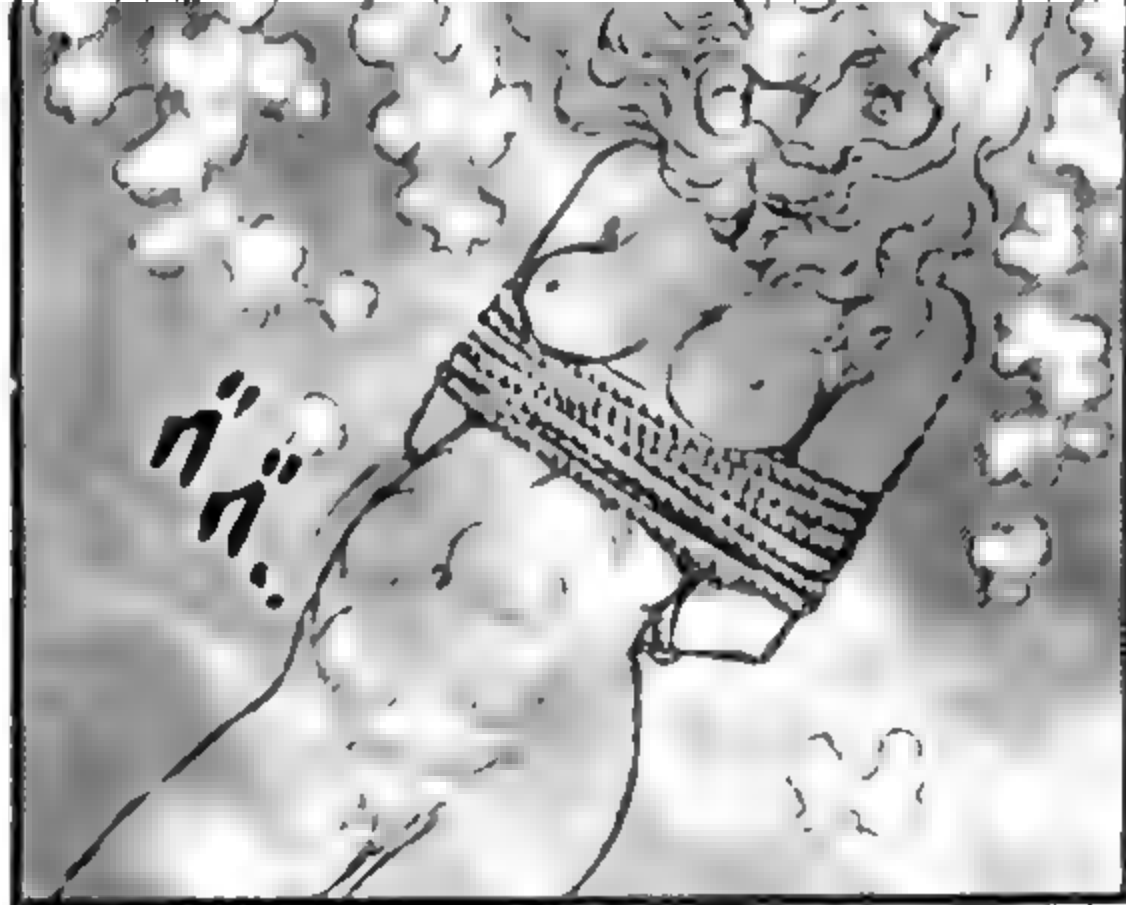




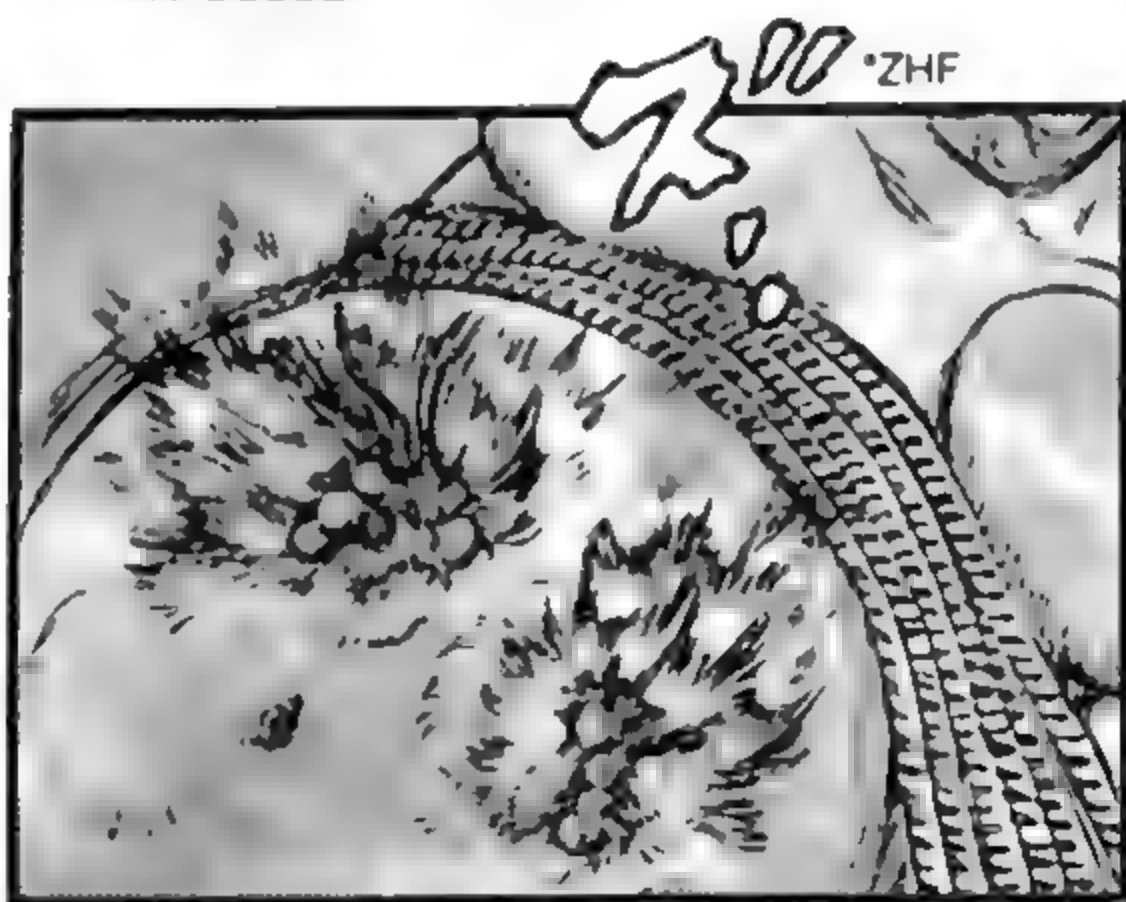
*FX: KULPULP KULPULP



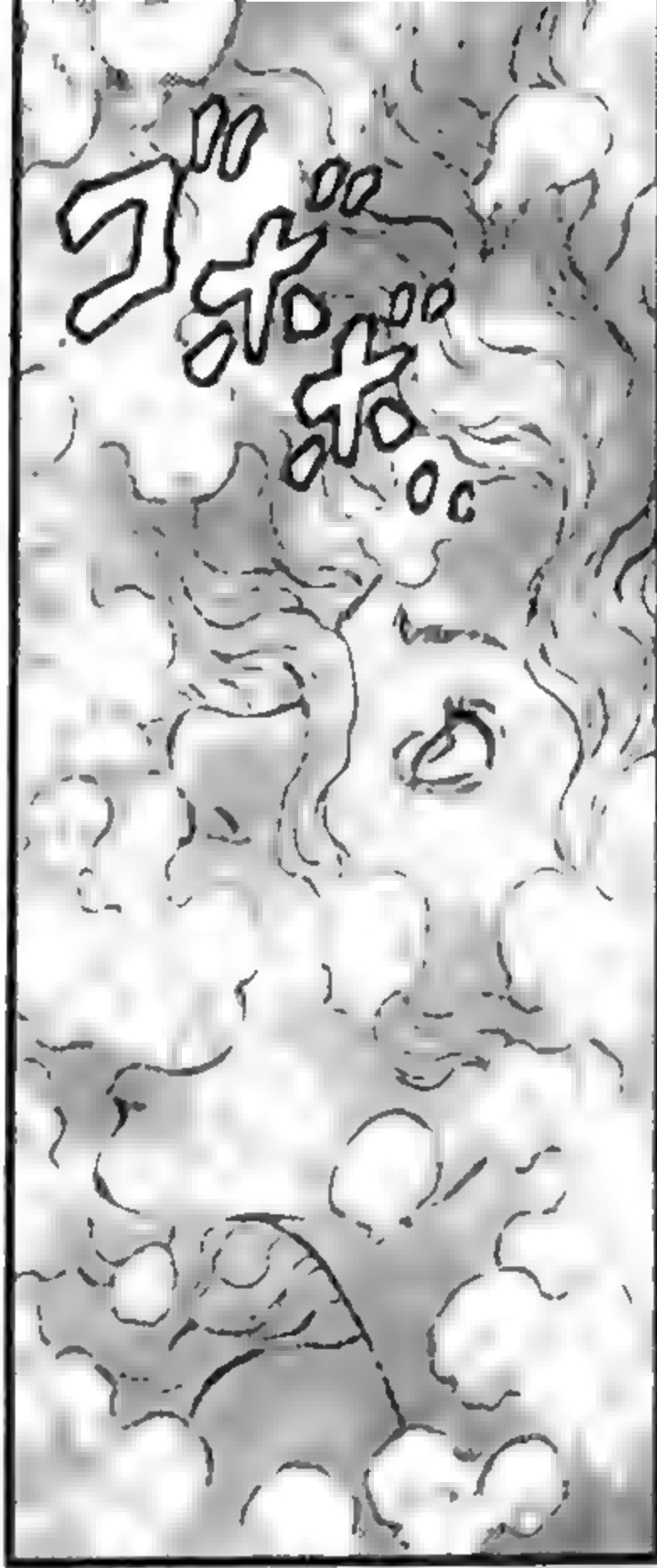




*FX BULGE



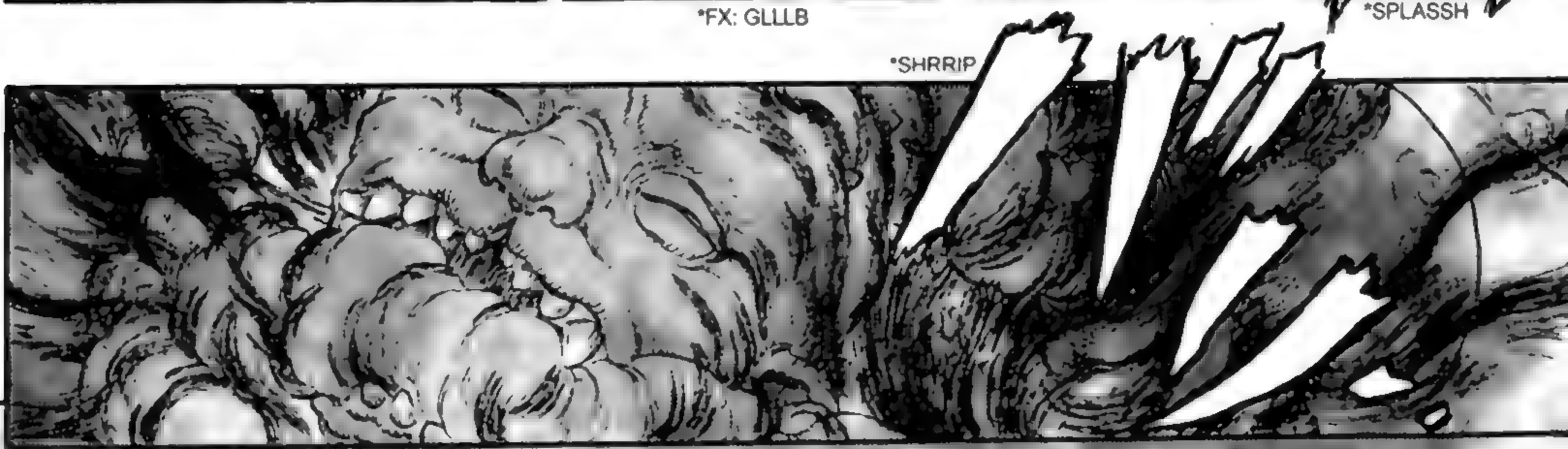
*ZHF



*FX: GLLB

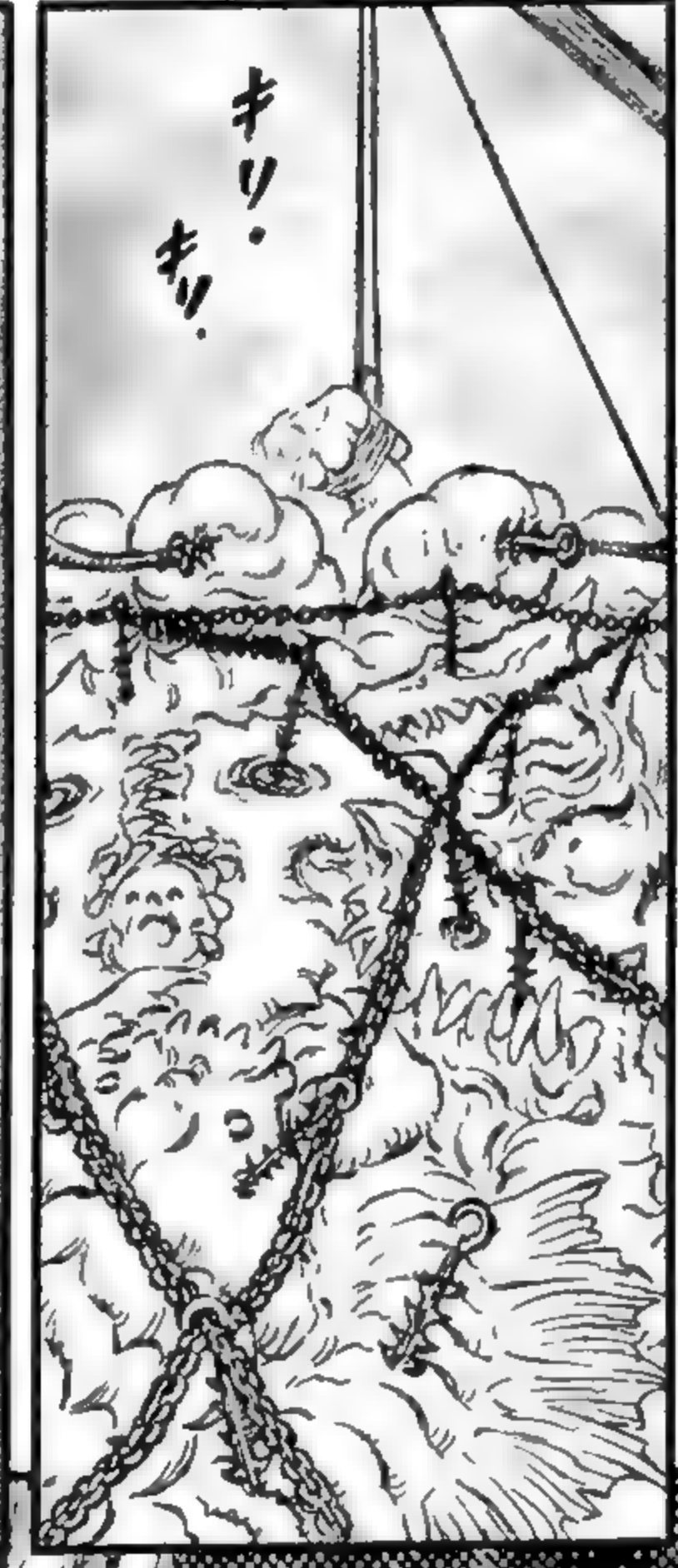
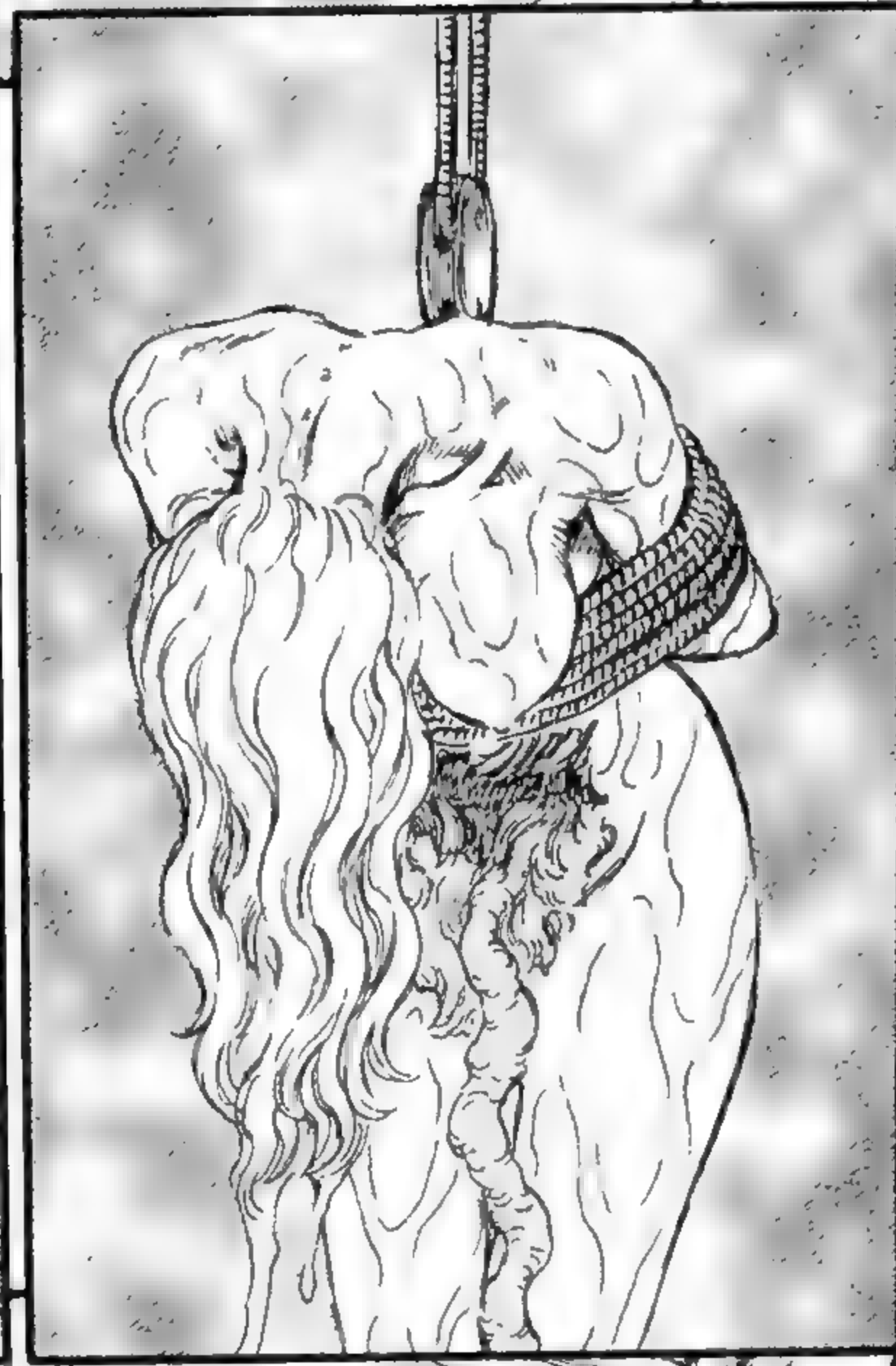


*SPLASHH



*SHRRIP

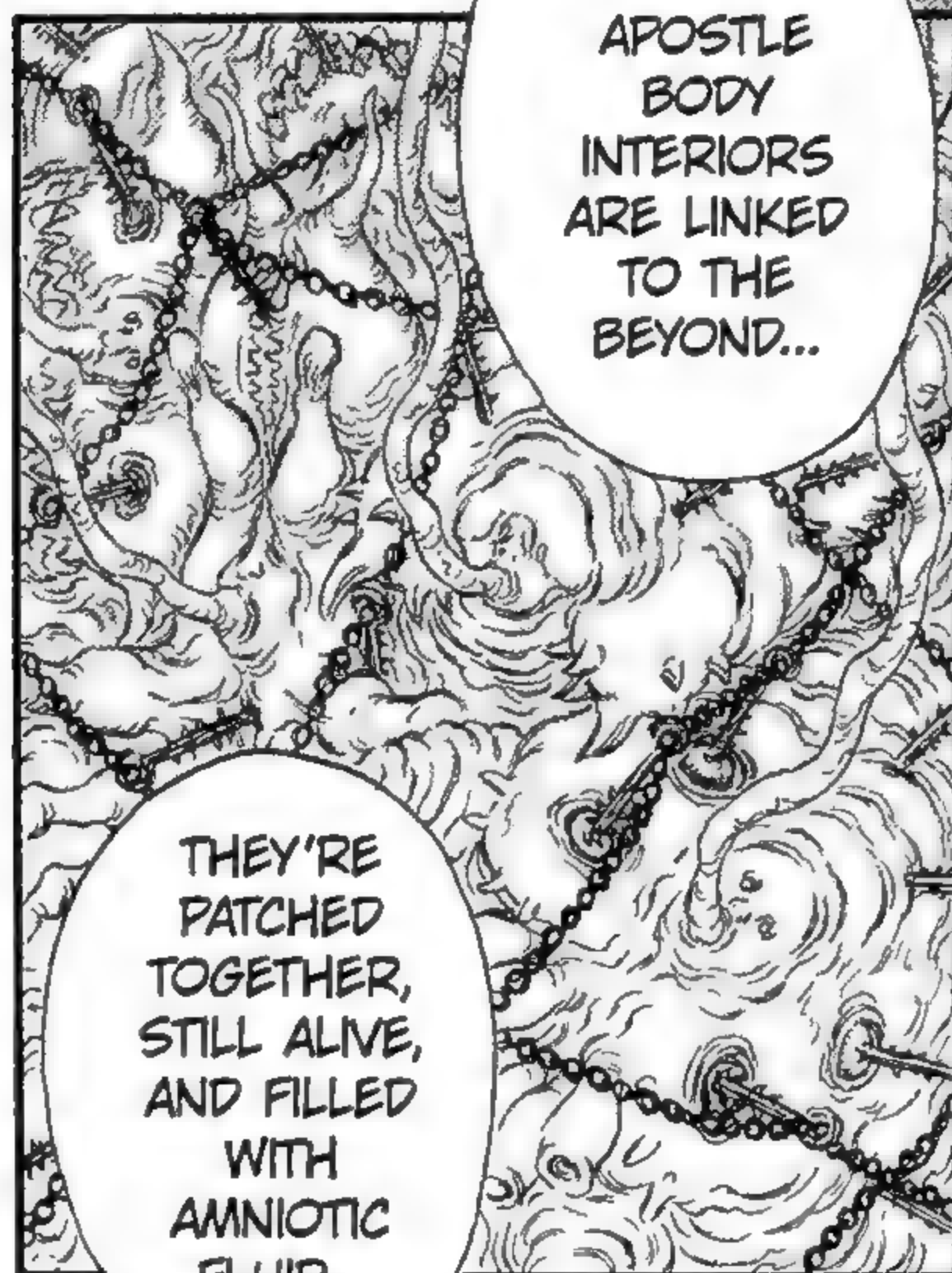






OF
COURSE.

THEY'RE
USING
APOSTLES
TO BIRTH
DEMONS.



THOSE
APOSTLE
BODY
INTERIORS
ARE LINKED
TO THE
BEYOND...

THEY'RE
PATCHED
TOGETHER,
STILL ALIVE,
AND FILLED
WITH
AMNIOTIC
FLUID...



INTEREST-
ING.

MHM

MHM



WHEN
PREGNANT
WOMEN ARE
SUBMERGED...

IGH
HH



...AND DEMON
CHILDREN
ARE BORN.

...THE
OFFSPRING ARE
INFUSED
WITH EVIL...



MMMM
...

WELL,
NOW...



WHAT
DO YOU
KNOW?!

RAKSAS...
JUST
HOW...?



THE ONE
WHO IS
YOUR
KEEPER...

I'LL
TELL YOU
THIS ONE
THING.

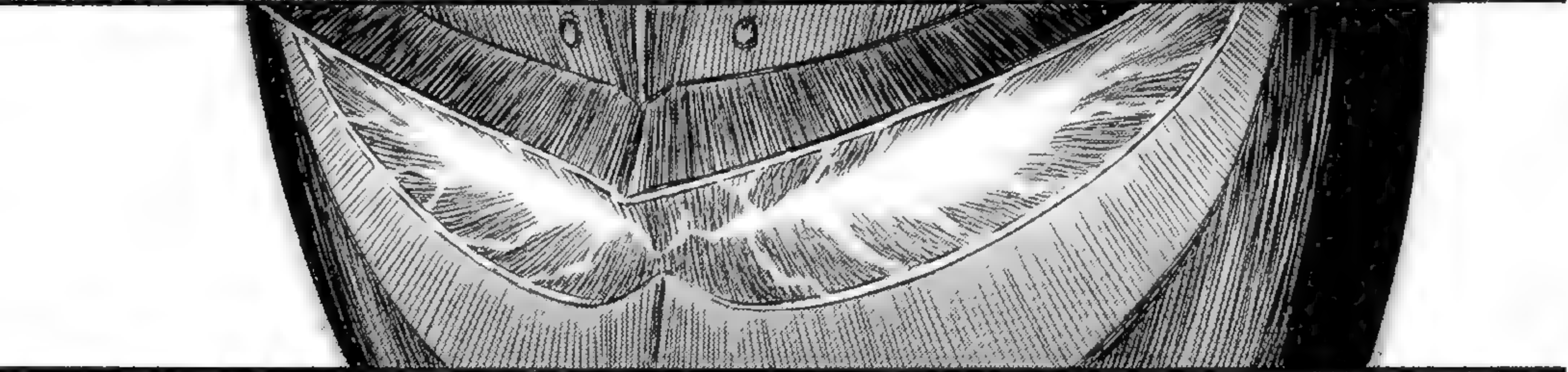
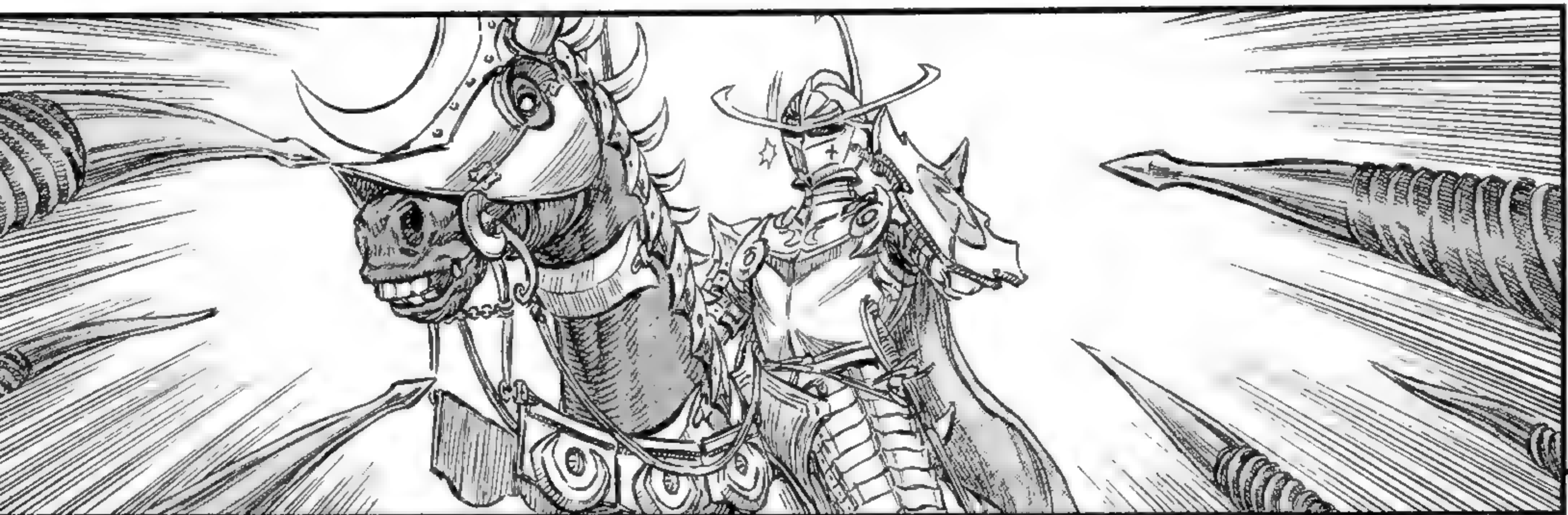
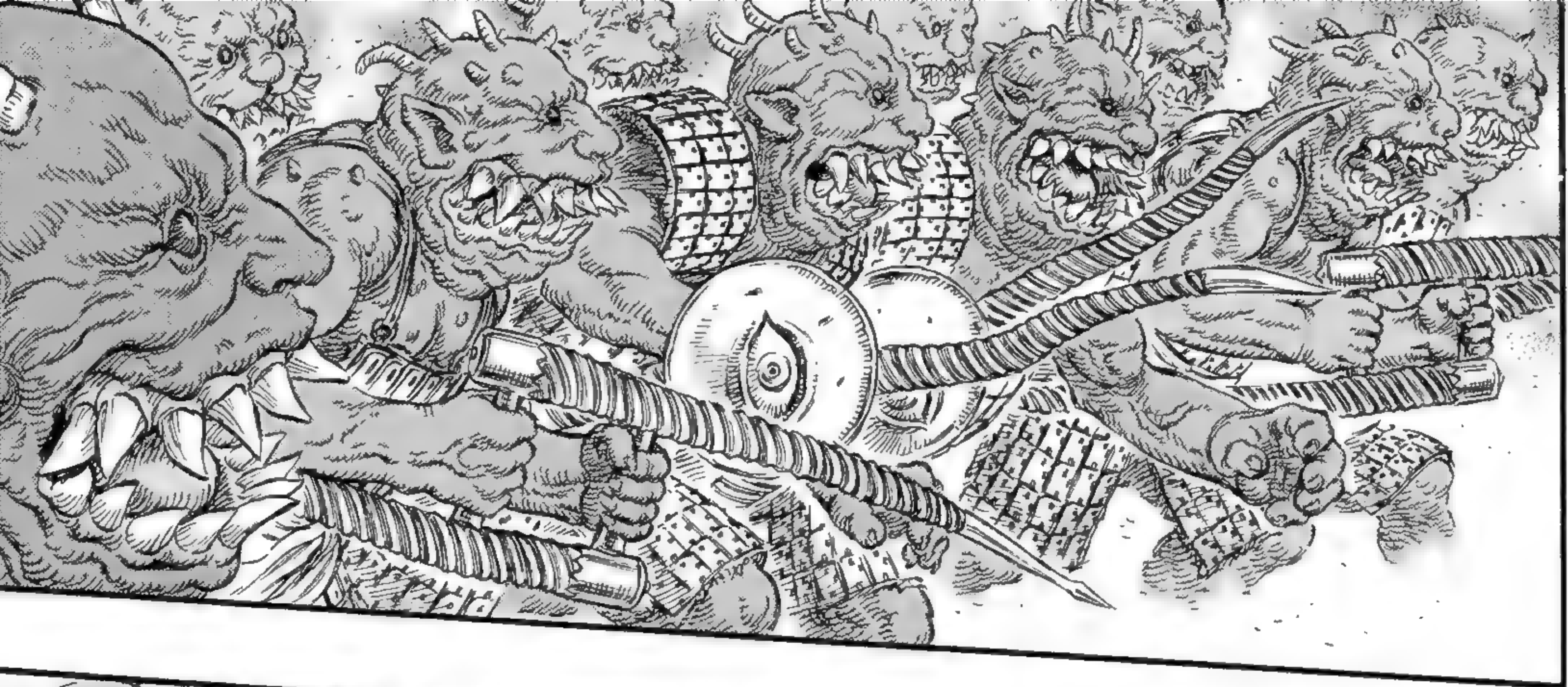


...HE'S
TRULY A
DEMON
KING...

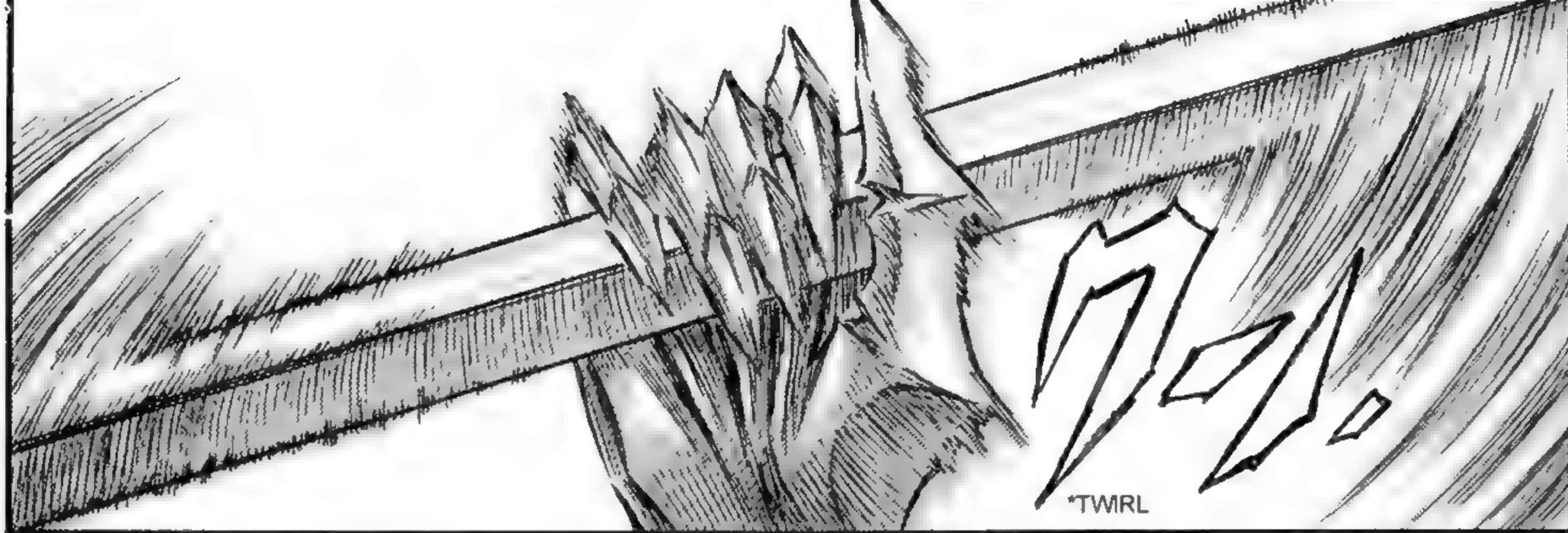
...NOT
A MAN.

WAIT
...!







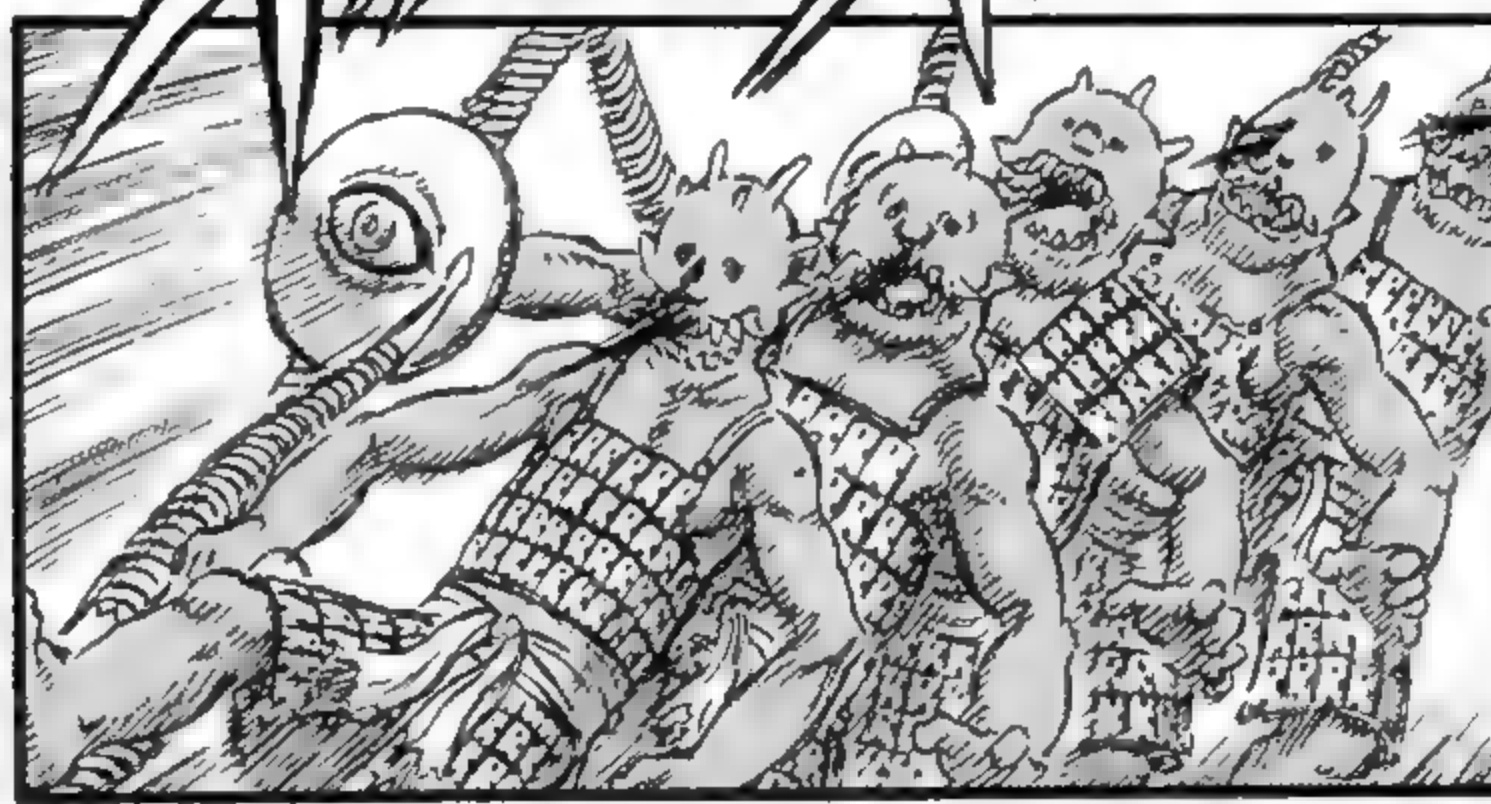


*TWRL

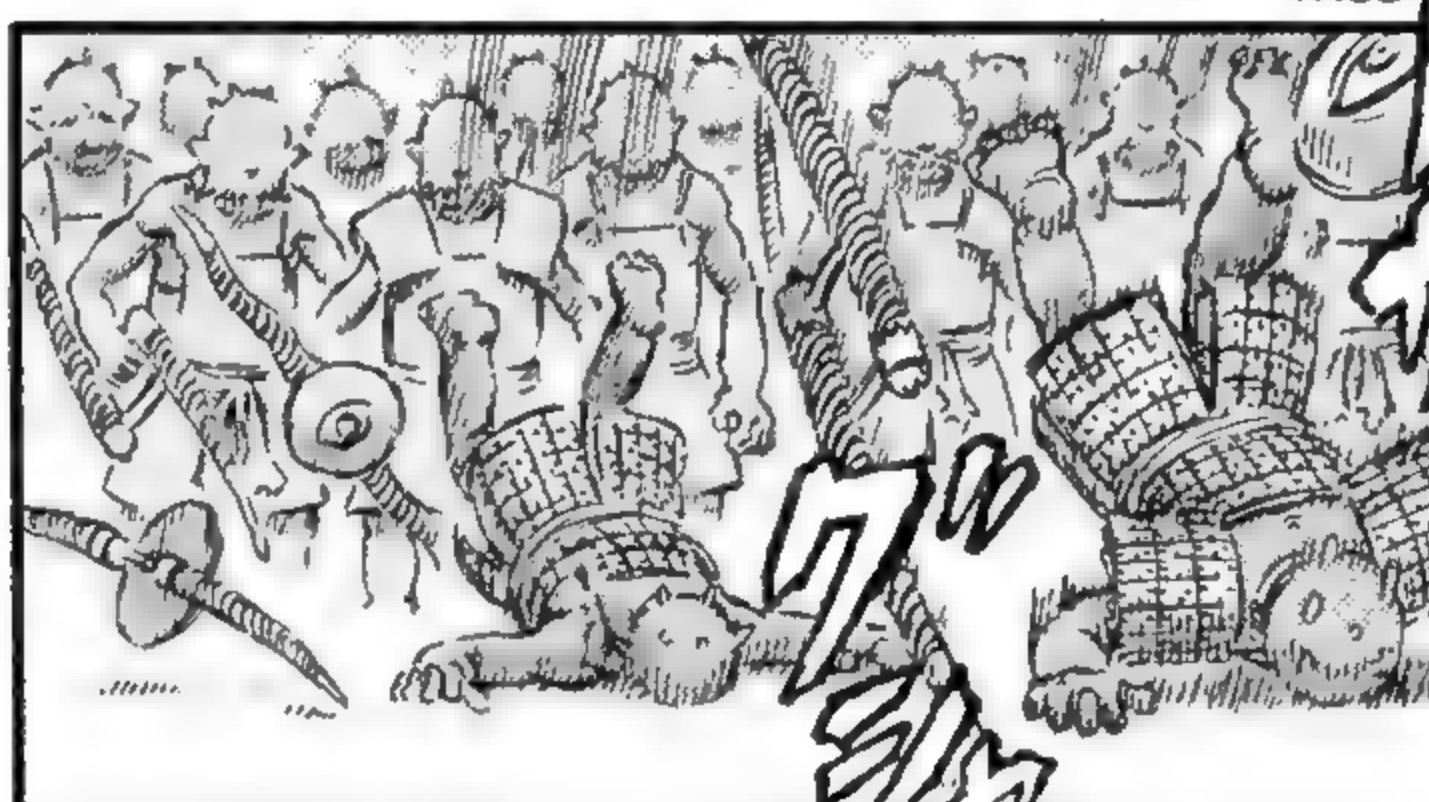
*FX: SHMP SHMP



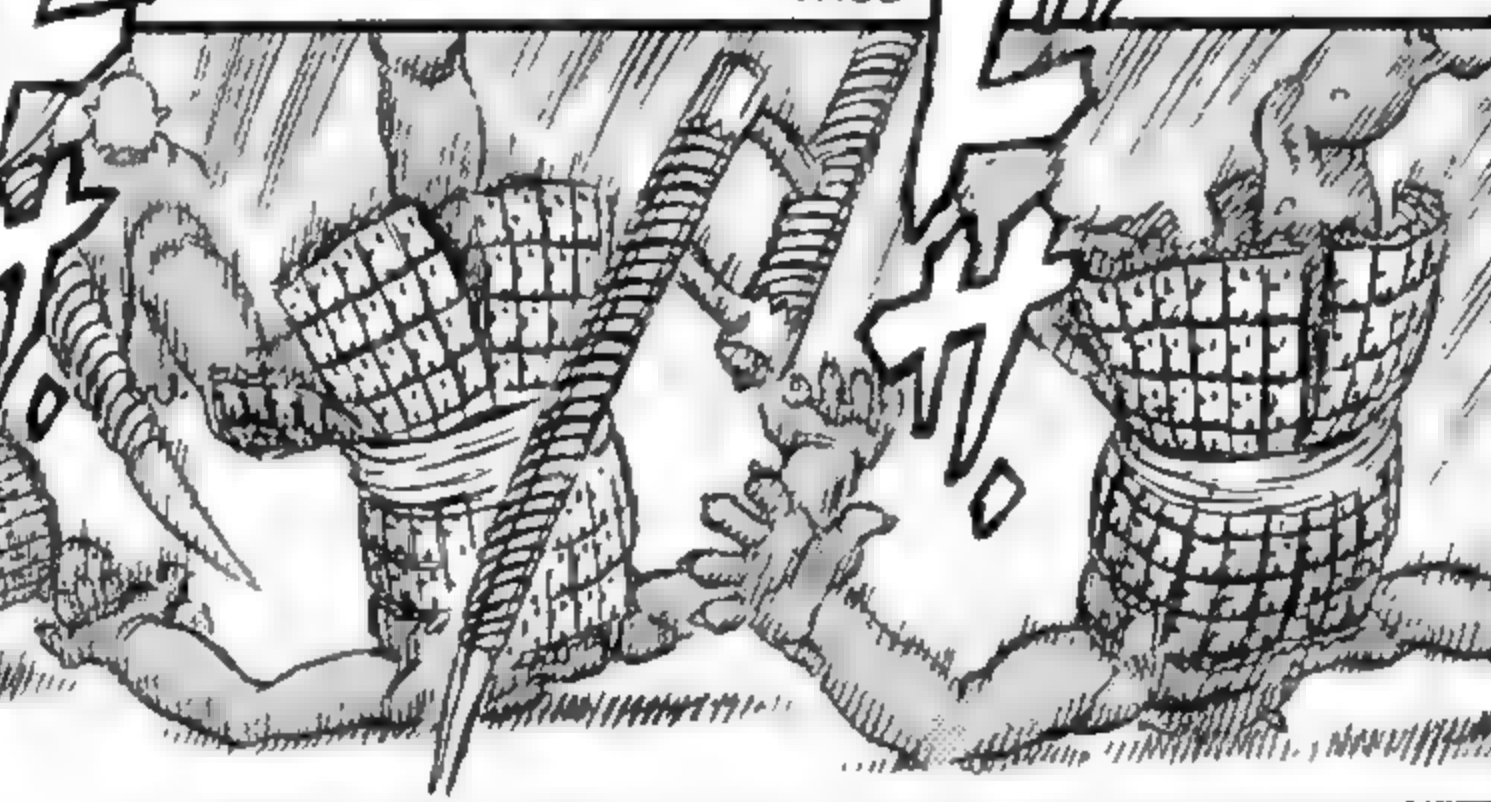
*SHMP SHMP



*THUD



*THUD



*DSSH



HOHH...

*FX: VYMMMMM



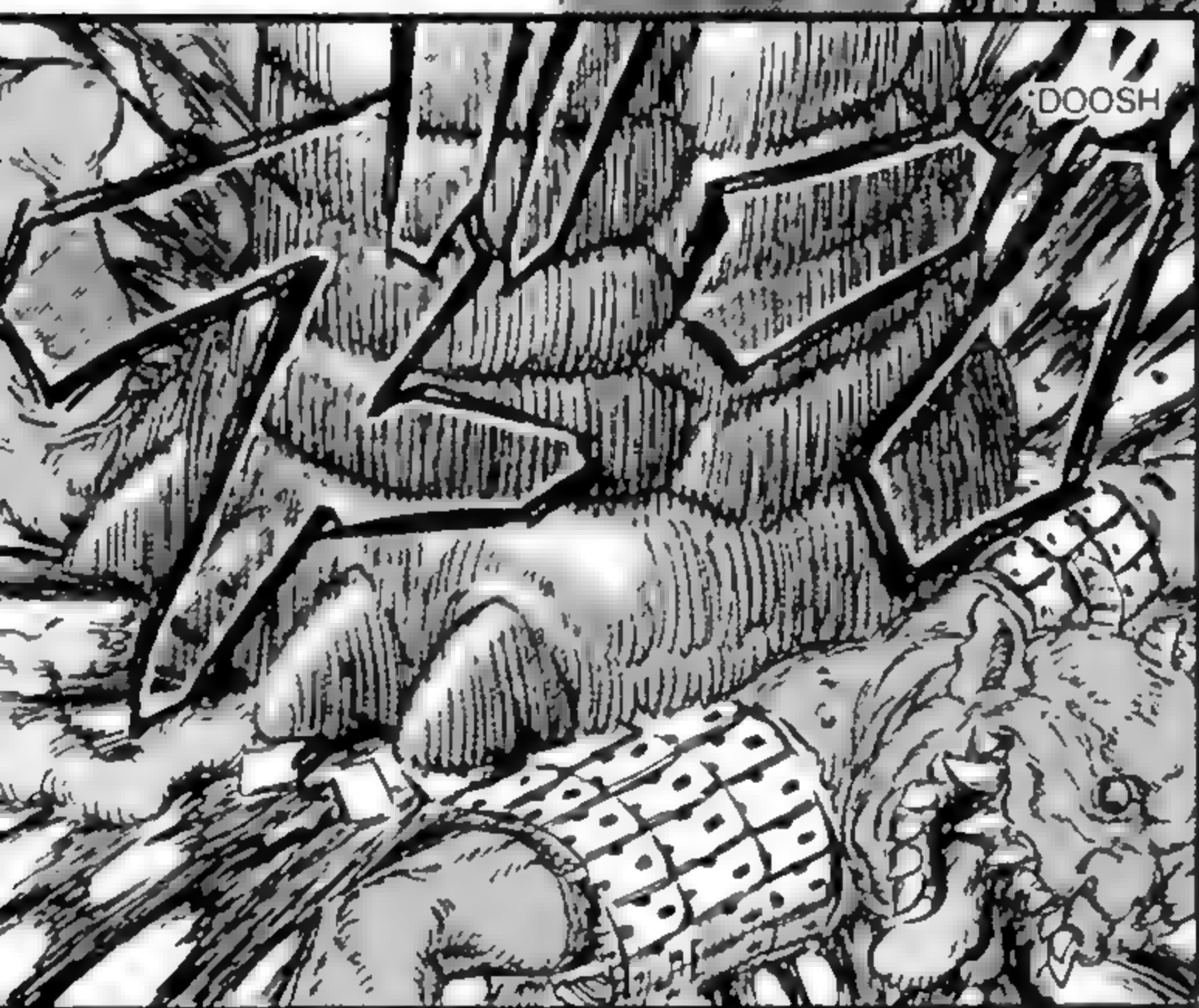


THE ATTIRE,
I'D SAY,
OF A DEMON
KNIGHT.

A CREATURE
CLAIMING
BOTH ARMOR
AND HORSE.

...STAND TO
SLAUGHTER
US WAR
DEMONS.

DO NOT
THINK THAT
THESE RANK
AND FILE...







*FX: GRIN



*FX RAISE

*DSSSH

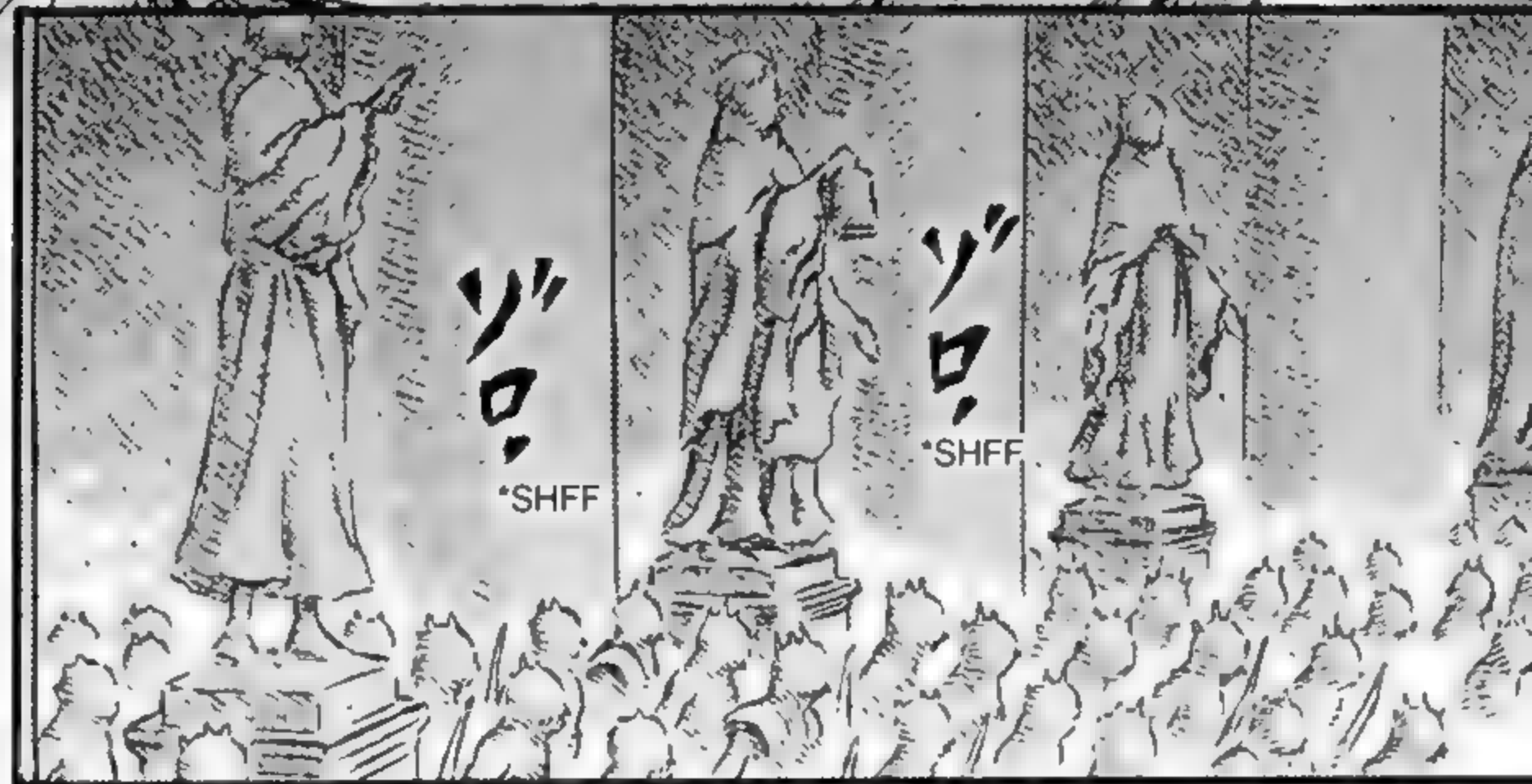


*KRUNNK



BAND OF
THE HAWK
WAR DEMON
LANCERS...

...FORWARD!



ソ
ロ
*SHFF

ソ
ロ
*SHFF

*VNGEE NGEE NGEE

ダギギギギギ





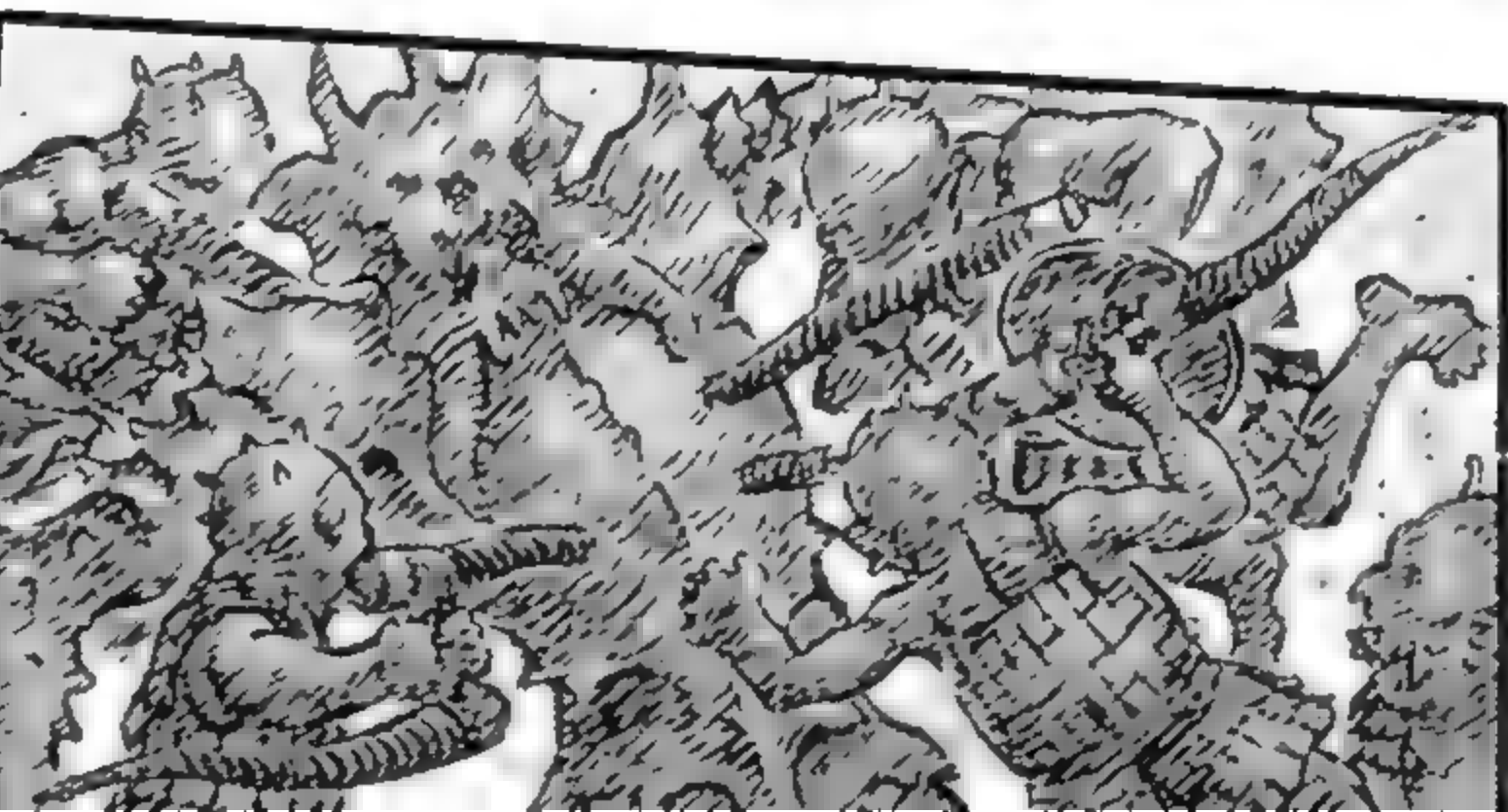
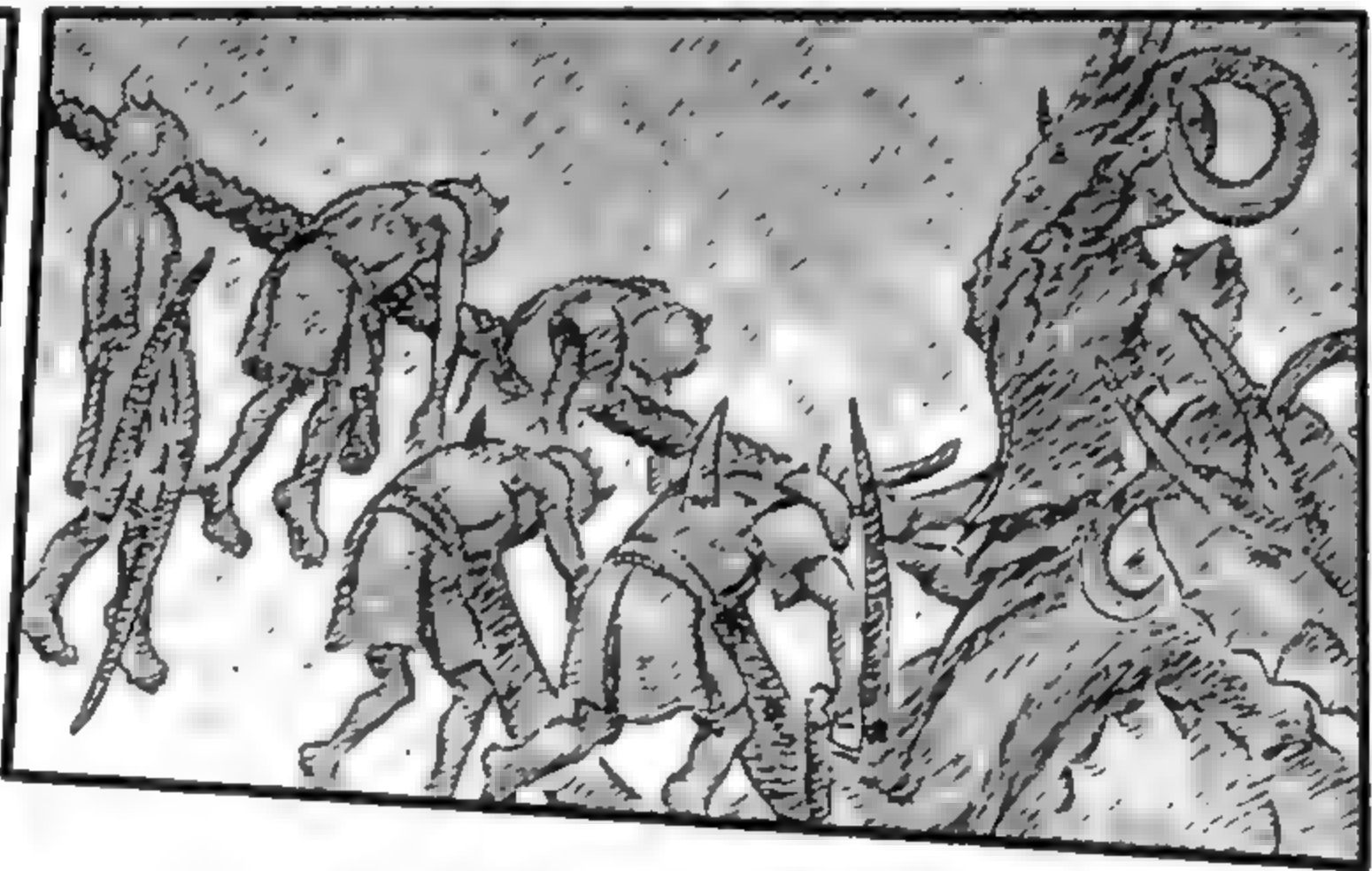
**CERTAINLY
A FITTING
SPECTACLE
FOR THIS
DEMON
CASTLE.**

**A DEMON
DINNER
PARTY.**

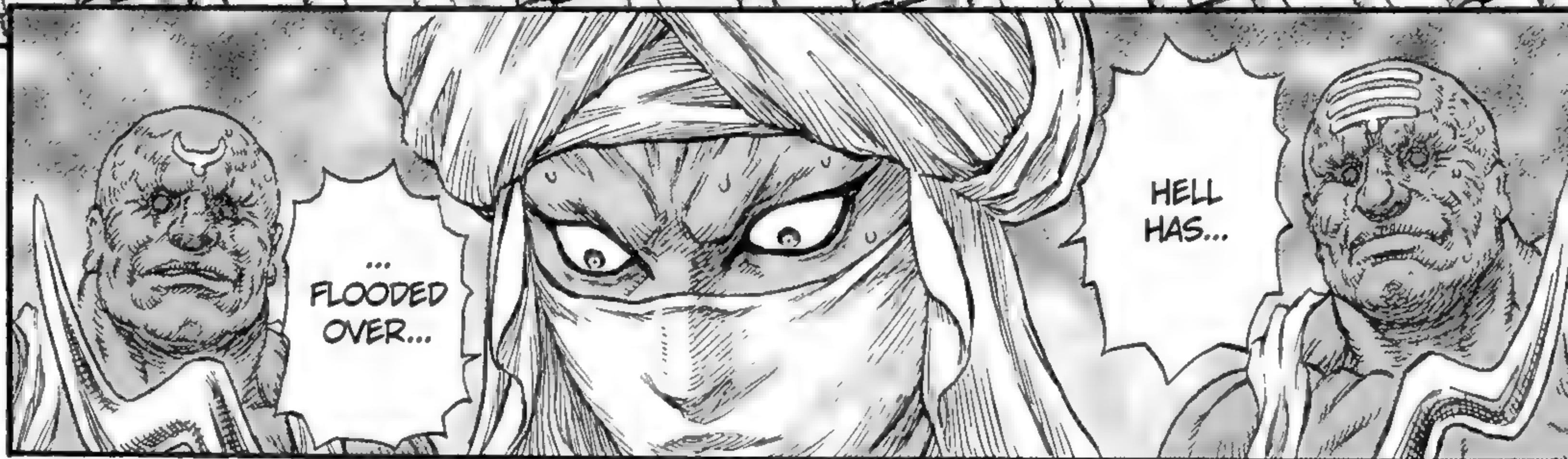
DEMON GOD

魔 神

BERSERK







THE
ONE WHO
IS YOUR
KEEPER...
HE'S TRULY
A DEMON
KING, NOT
A MAN.

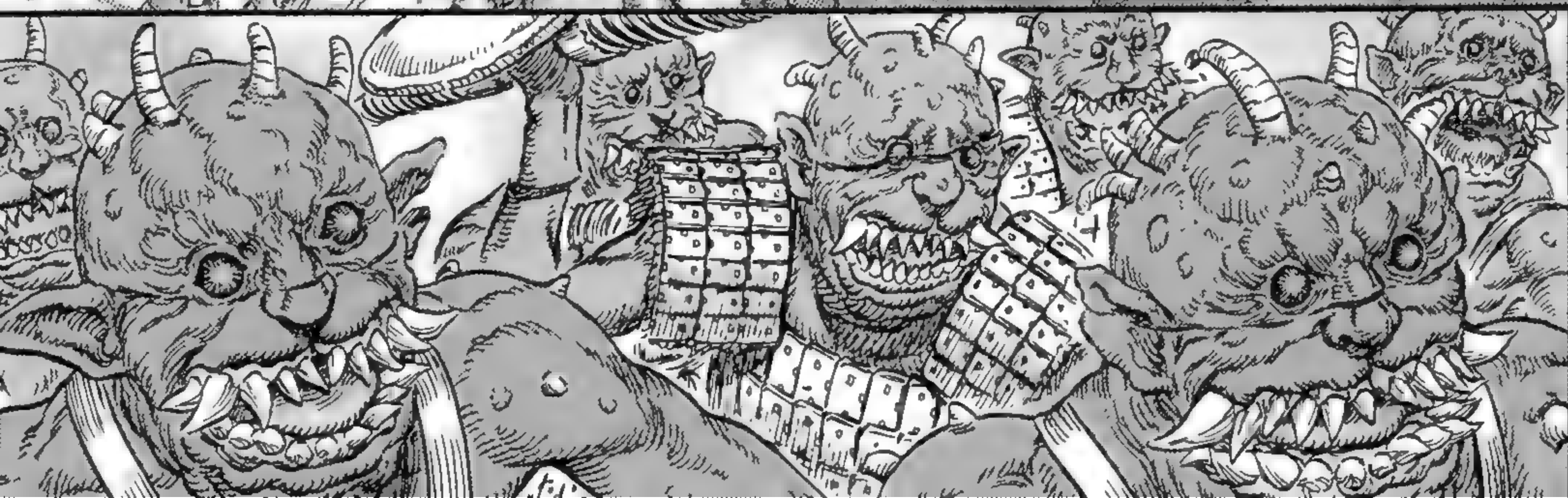
I'LL
TELL YOU
THIS ONE
THING.

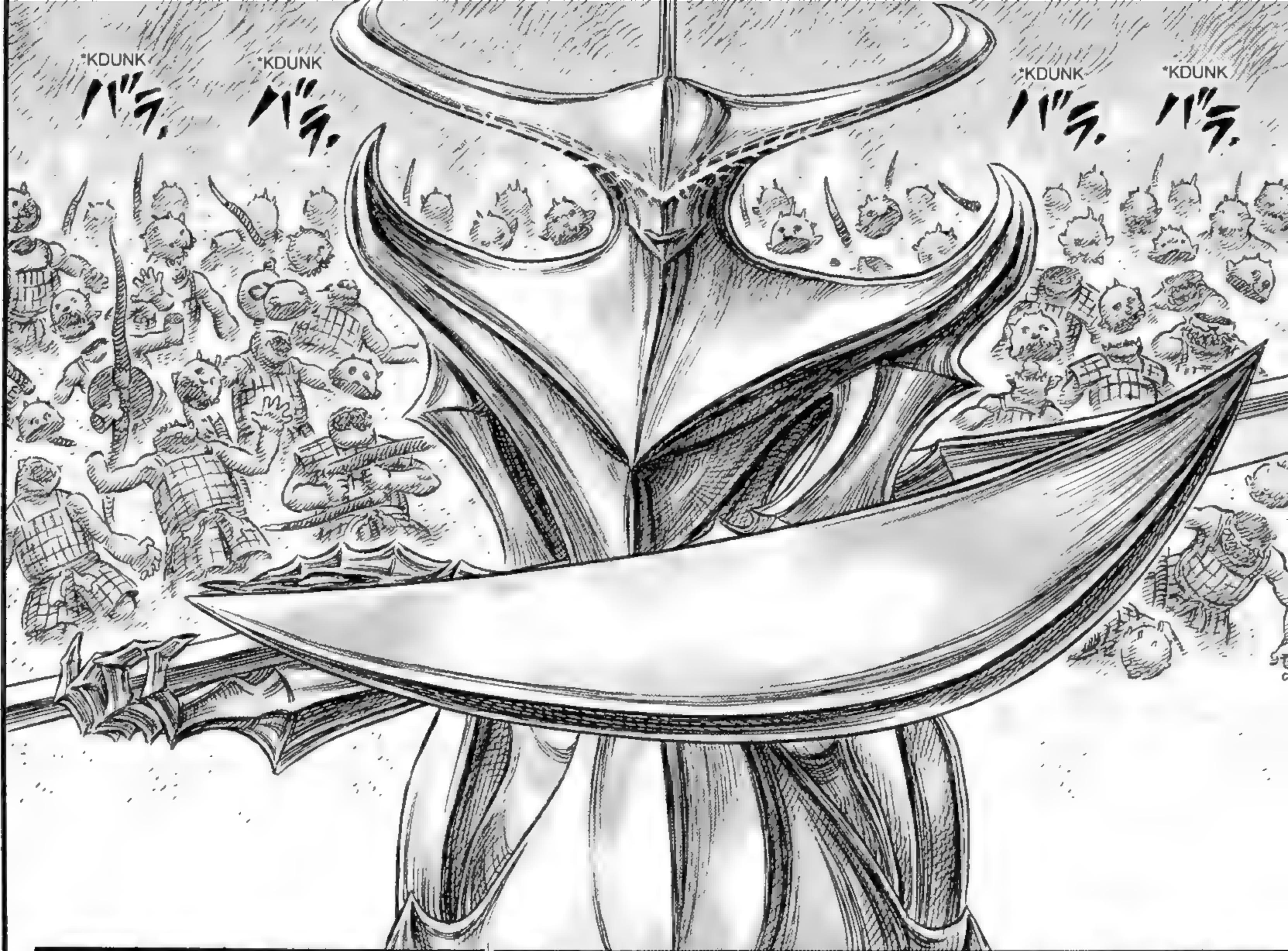
...KING?!

DEMON...

ZWWWWN

Z
"LIFT"





*KDUNK

バ"ラ、

*KDUNK

バ"ラ、

*KDUNK

バ"ラ、

*KDUNK

バ"ラ、



BUT...



HE'S
DESERVING OF
HIS COMMAND
OVER THIS UNIT
OF THE BAND
OF THE HAWK.

SUCH
SPLENDID
FIGHTING
FORM.

THAT
KNIGHT
CALLED
LOCUS.



バ"ロ、

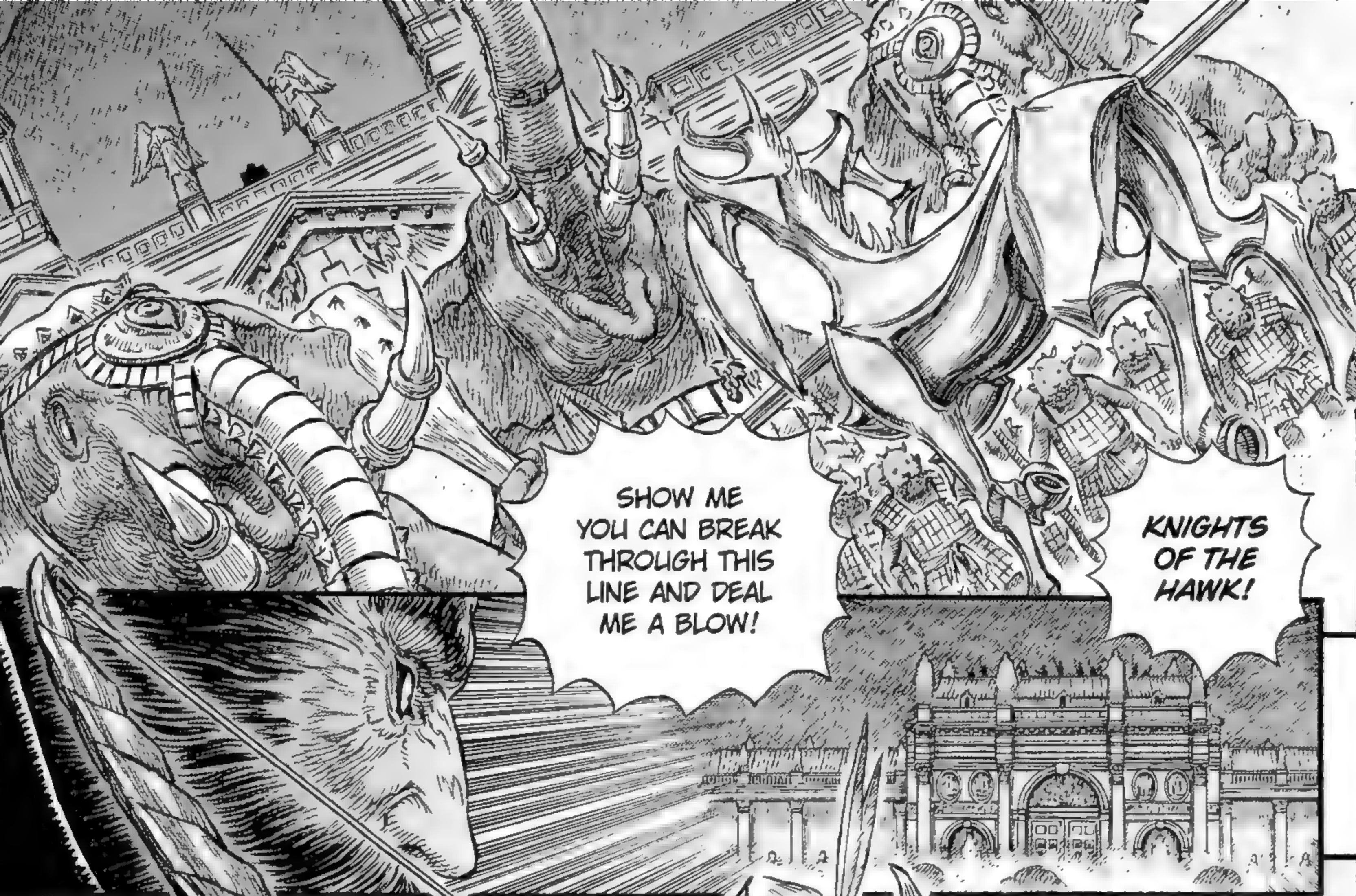
*SWARM

バ"ロ、

*SWARM

...DAKA AND
PISHACA?

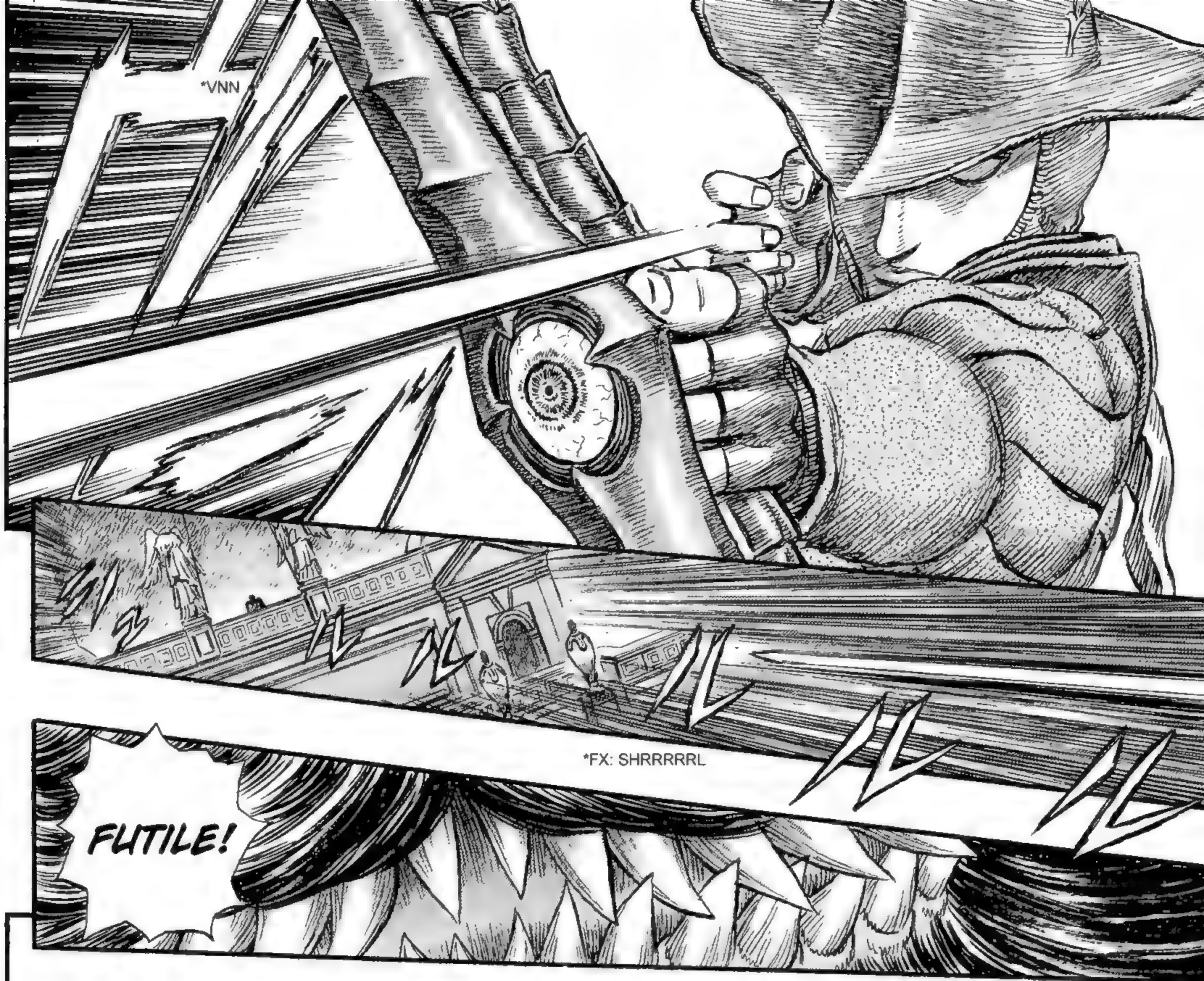
...HOW LONG
CAN HE FIGHT
AGAINST THIS
MANY...



SHOW ME
YOU CAN BREAK
THROUGH THIS
LINE AND DEAL
ME A BLOW!

KNIGHTS
OF THE
HAWK!







**IMPERTI-
NENCE!**



BWOOSH!

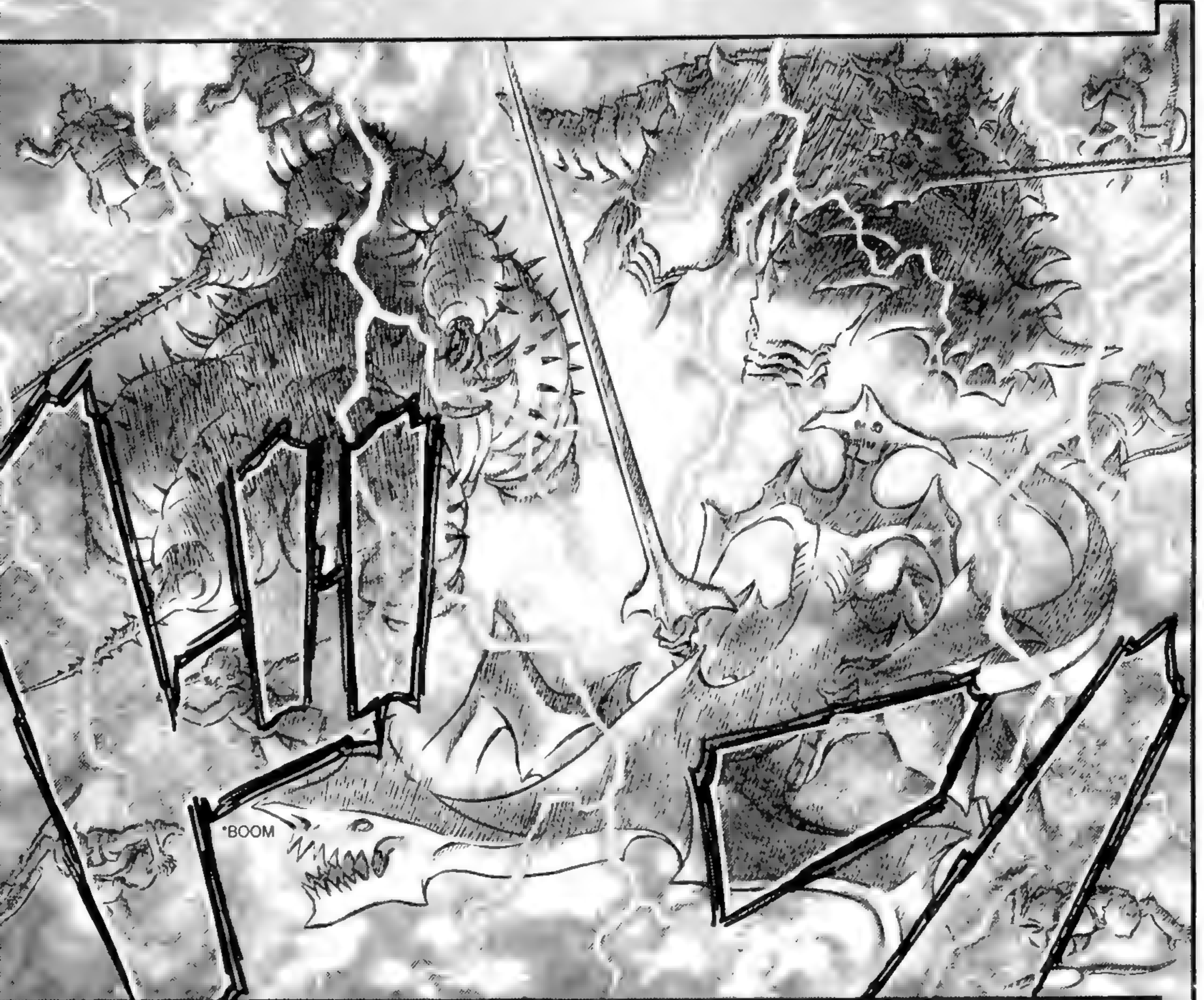
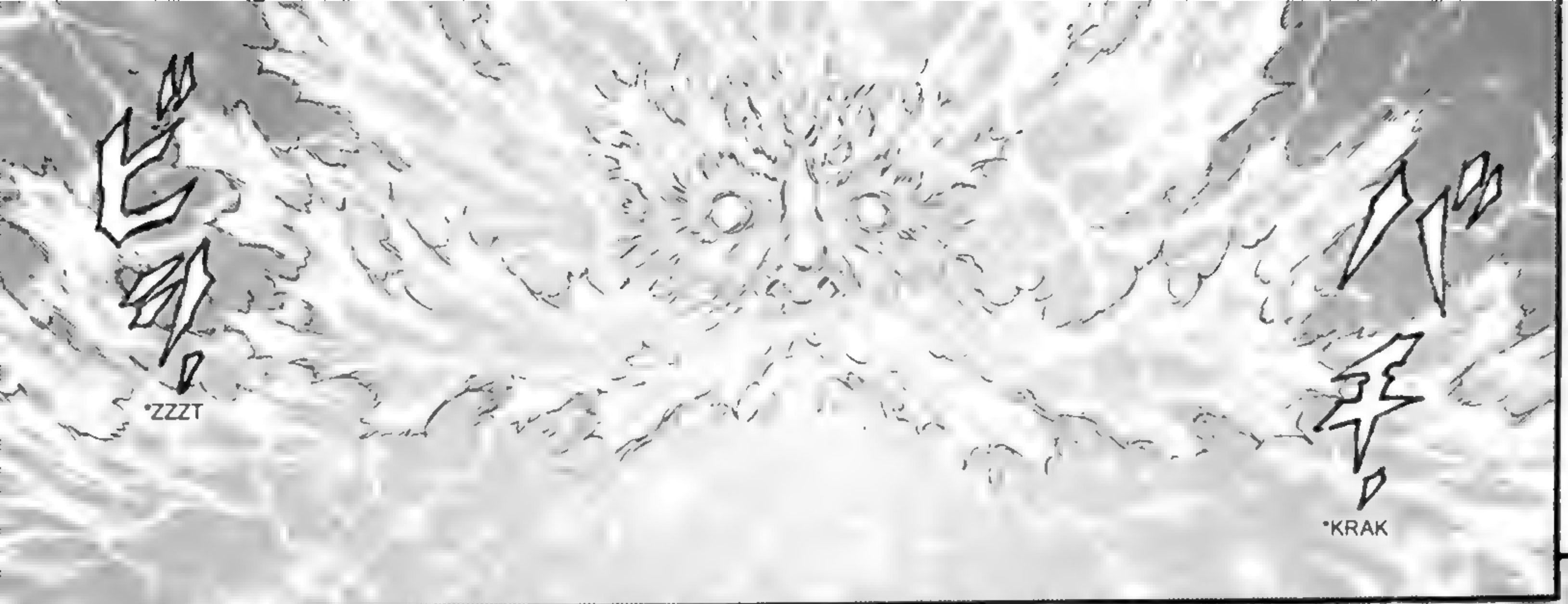


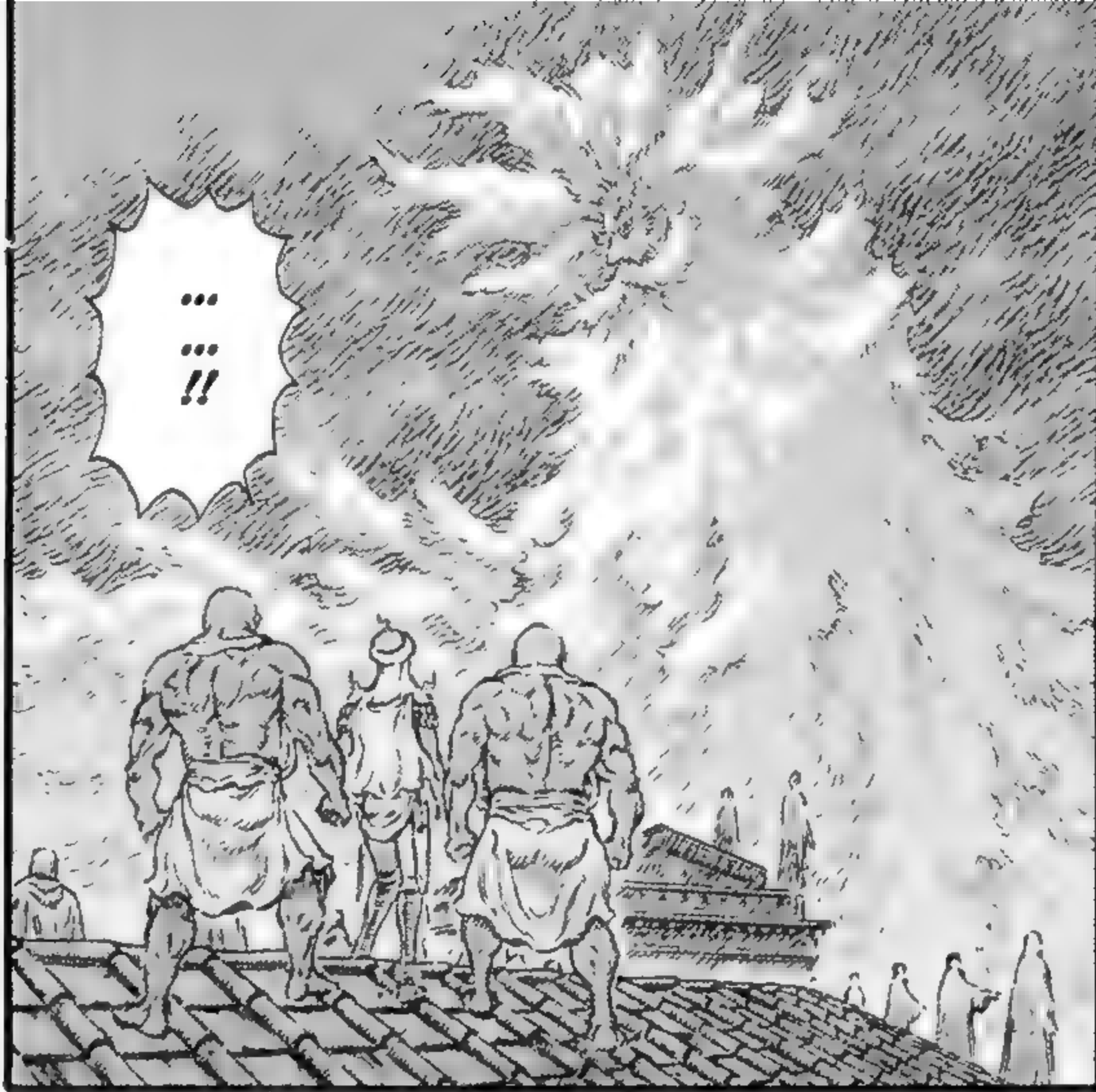


**HEED MY
WORDS,
PYGMIES...**

**...FEEL THE
TOUCH OF
TRUE
POWER!**

**SO PROUD
OF WHAT
LITTLE EVIL
YOU HARBOR
WITHIN
YOU...**

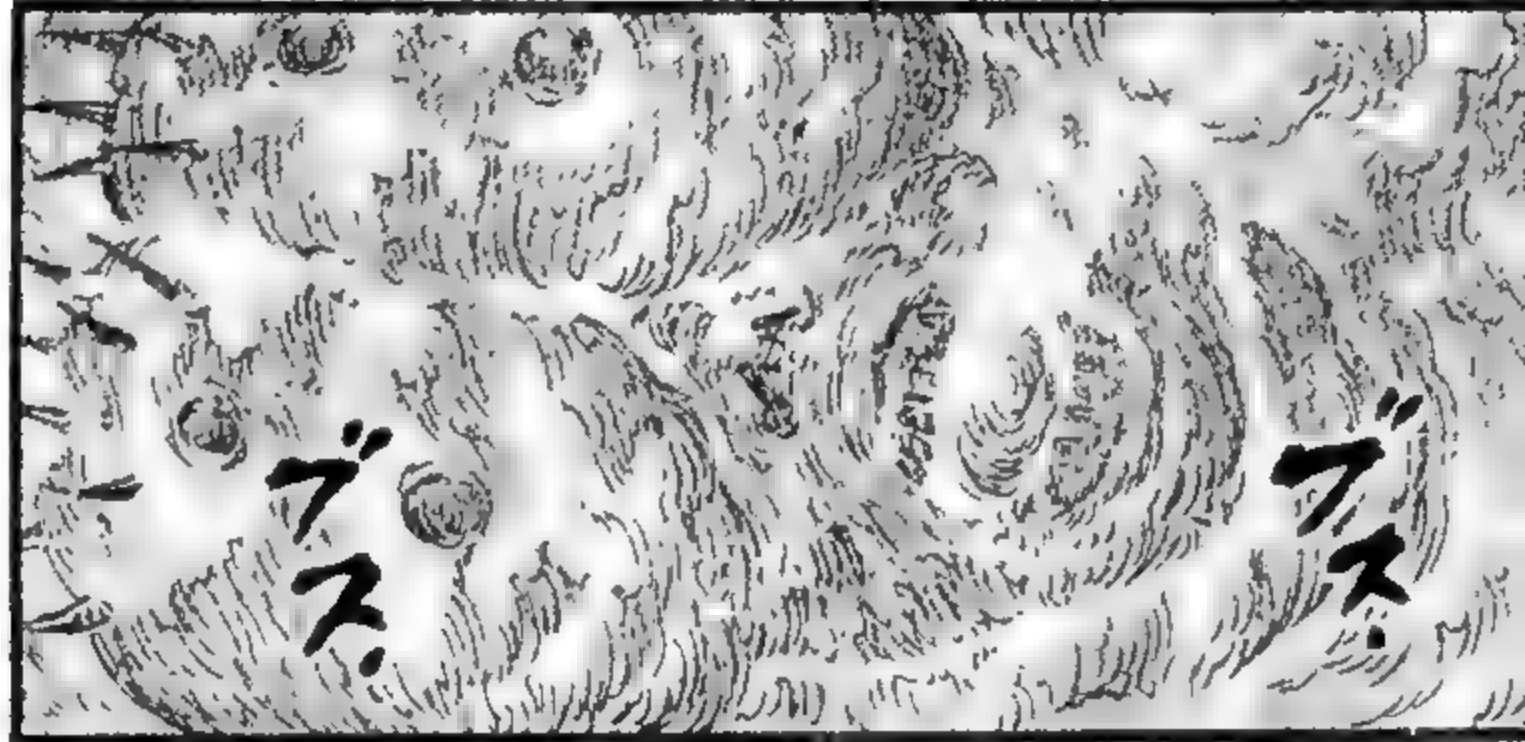




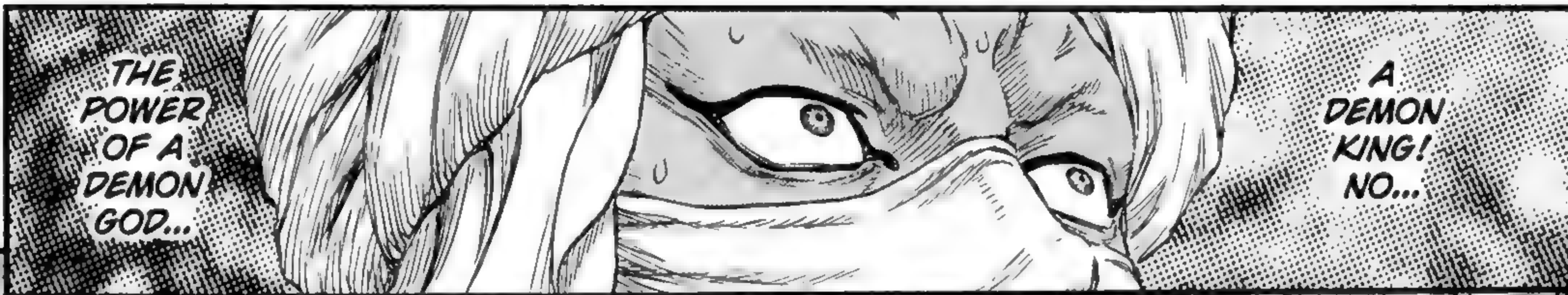
...
...
!!



*RORRR

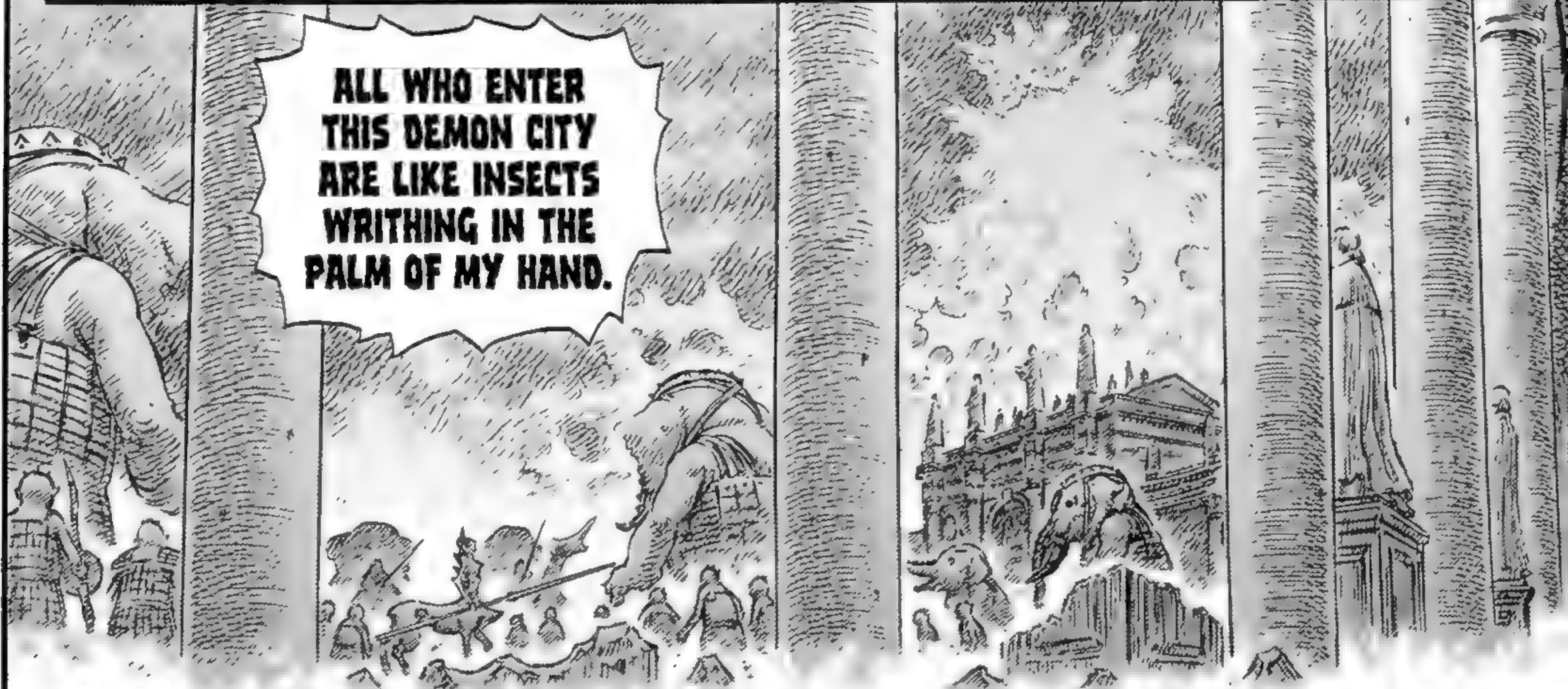


*FX. SSSSSS

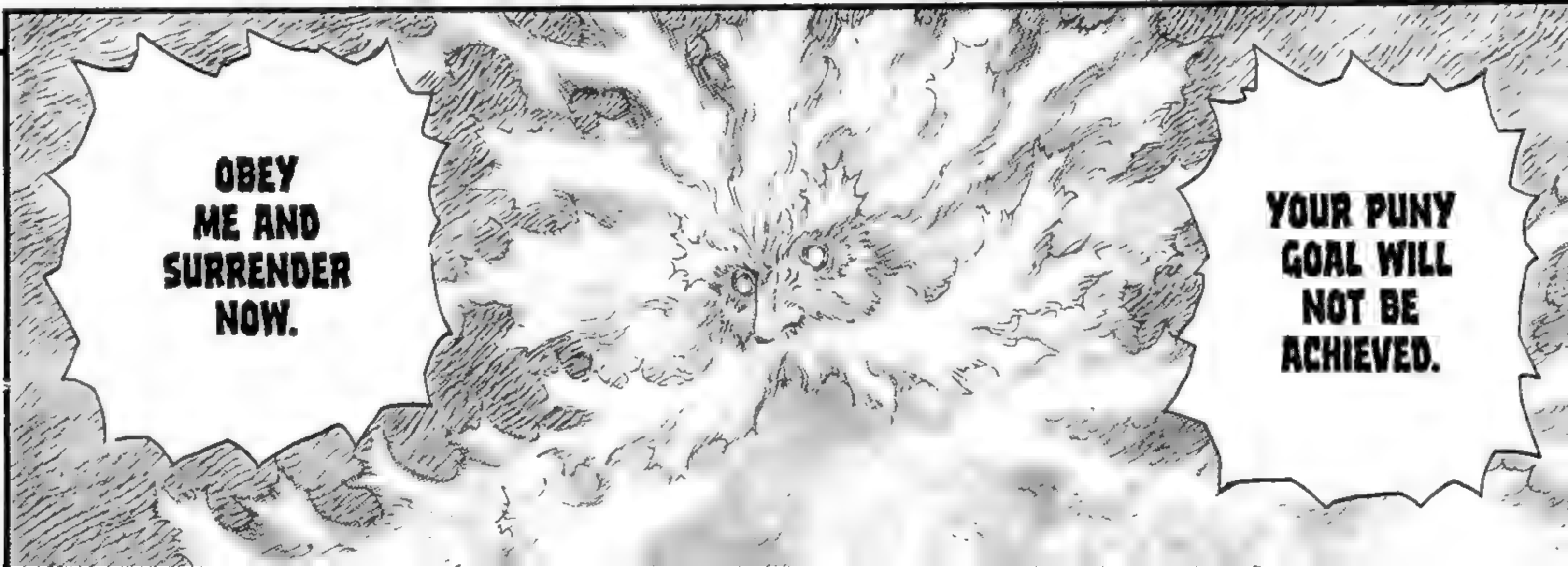


THE
POWER
OF A
DEMON
GOD...

A
DEMON
KING!
NO...



ALL WHO ENTER
THIS DEMON CITY
ARE LIKE INSECTS
WRITHING IN THE
PALM OF MY HAND.



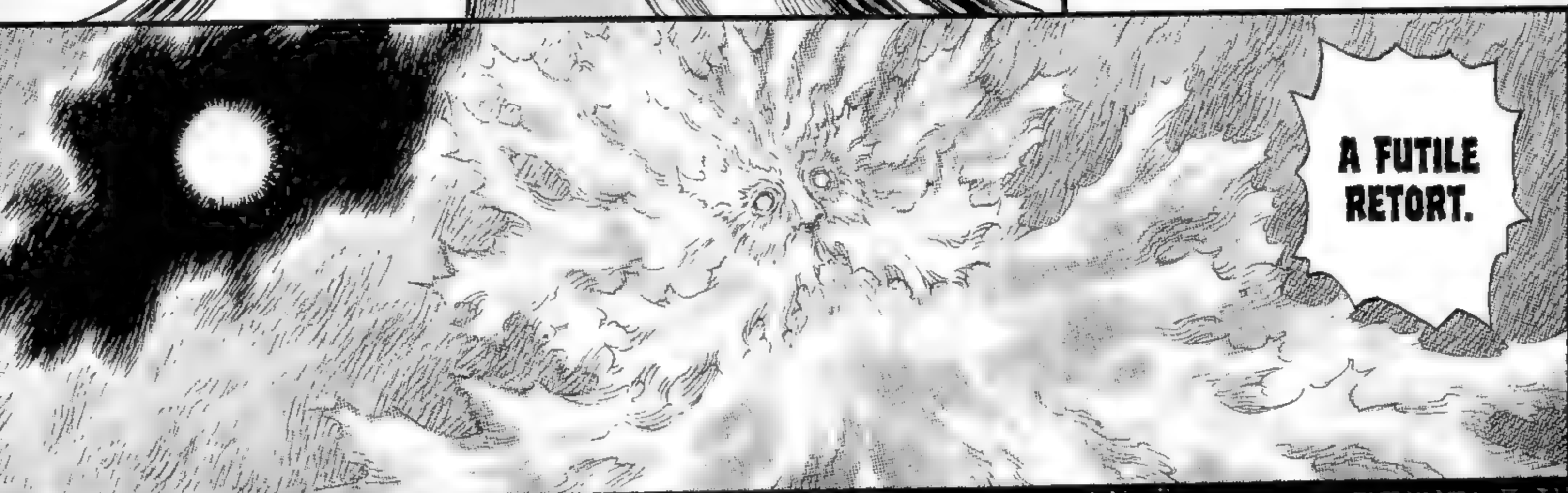
OBEY
ME AND
SURRENDER
NOW.

YOUR PUNY
GOAL WILL
NOT BE
ACHIEVED.



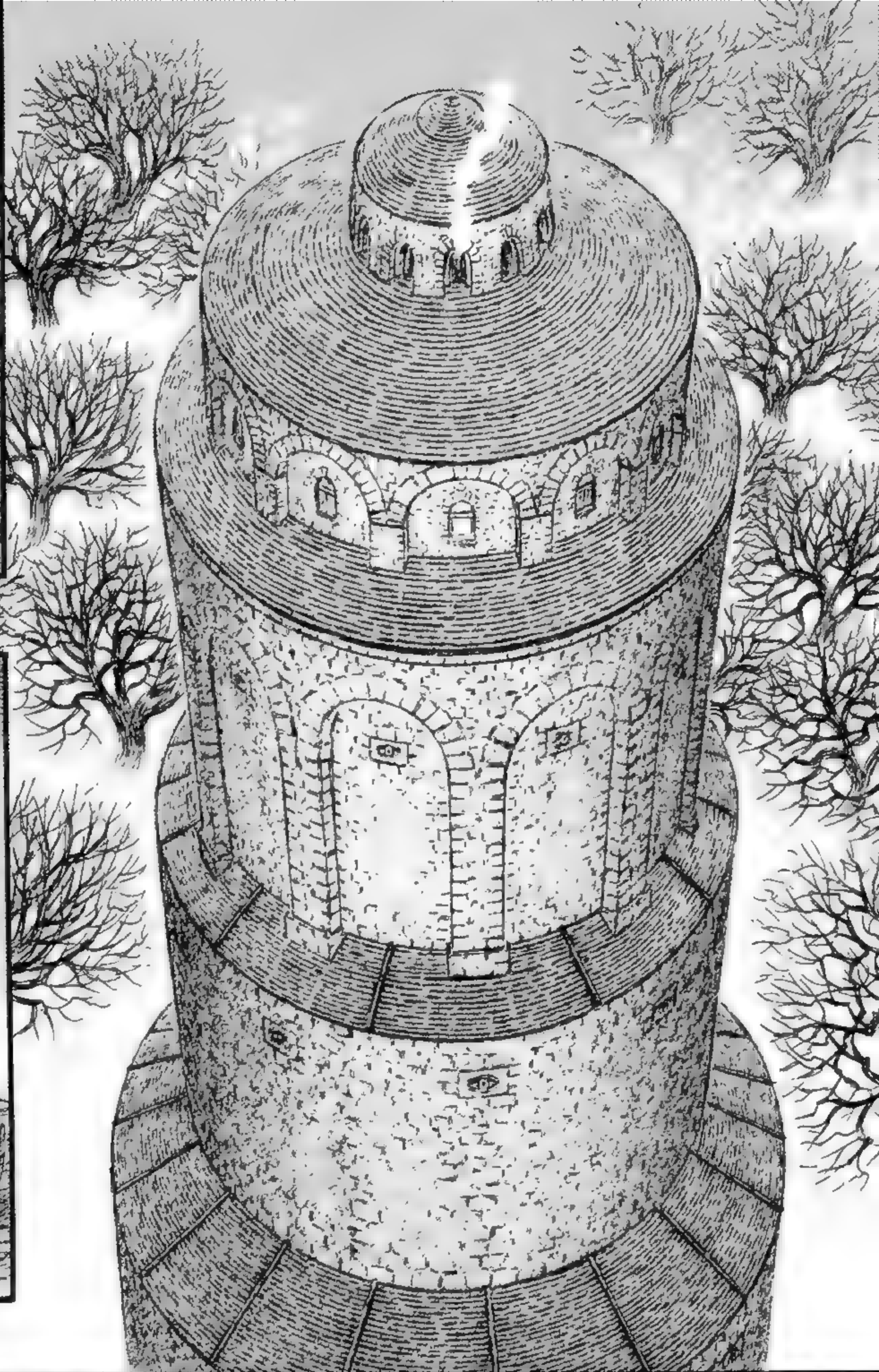
**...SURE
ABOUT
THAT?**

**ARE
YOU...**



**A FUTILE
RETORT.**







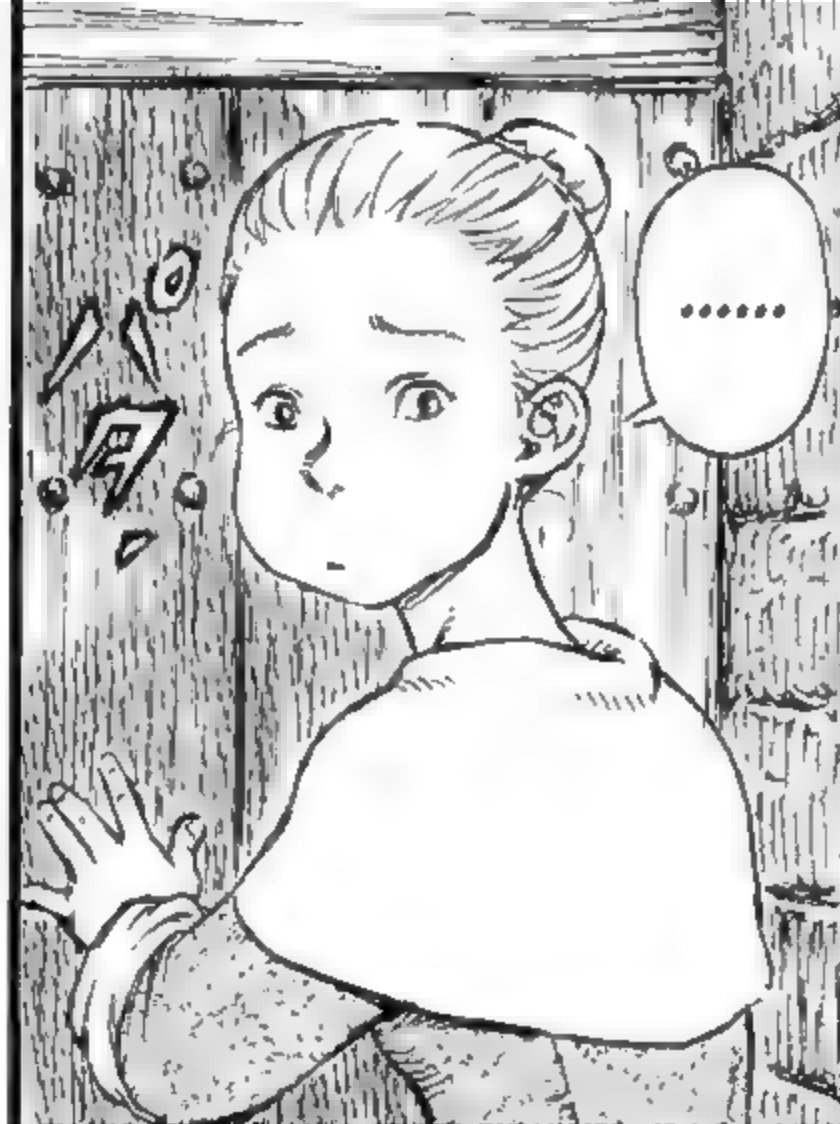
...WILL
NEVER
LEAVE
YOUR
SIDE.

WHATEVER
HAPPENS,
I, AT
LEAST...



PLEASE
TURN
IN FOR
THE
NIGHT.

COME, YOUR
HIGHNESS,
ANY MORE
WILL PROVE
HARMFUL.



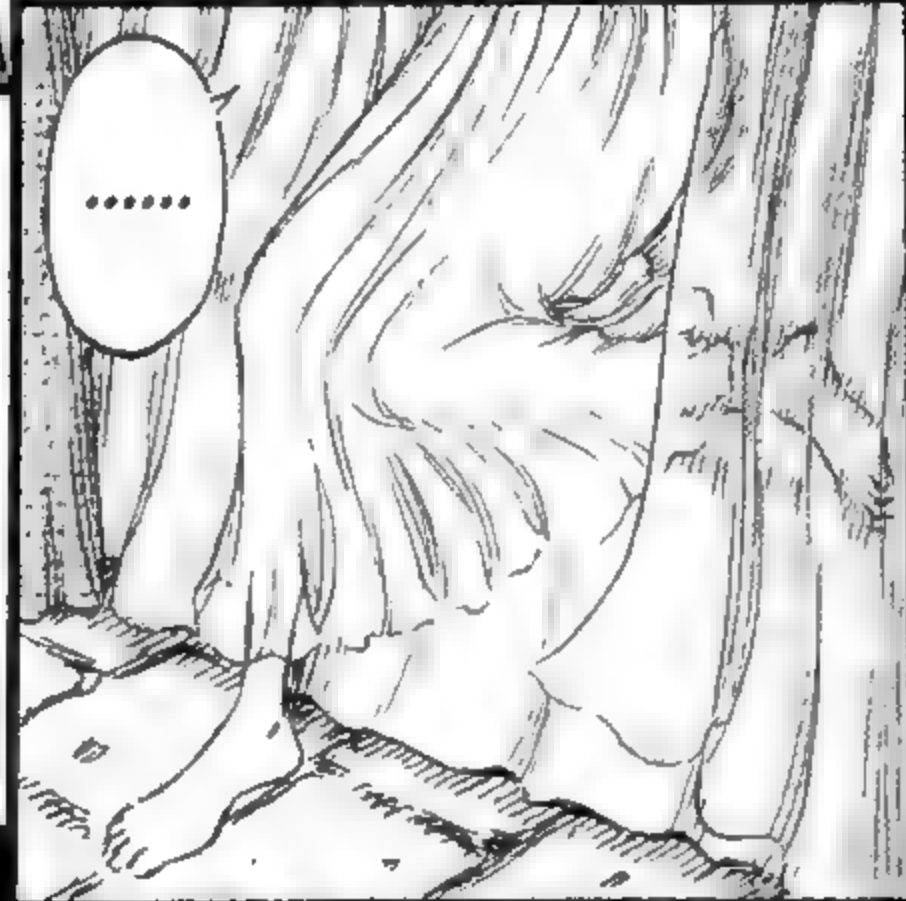
.....

*FX: PTAP



HIGH-
NESS...

*FX: BTAM



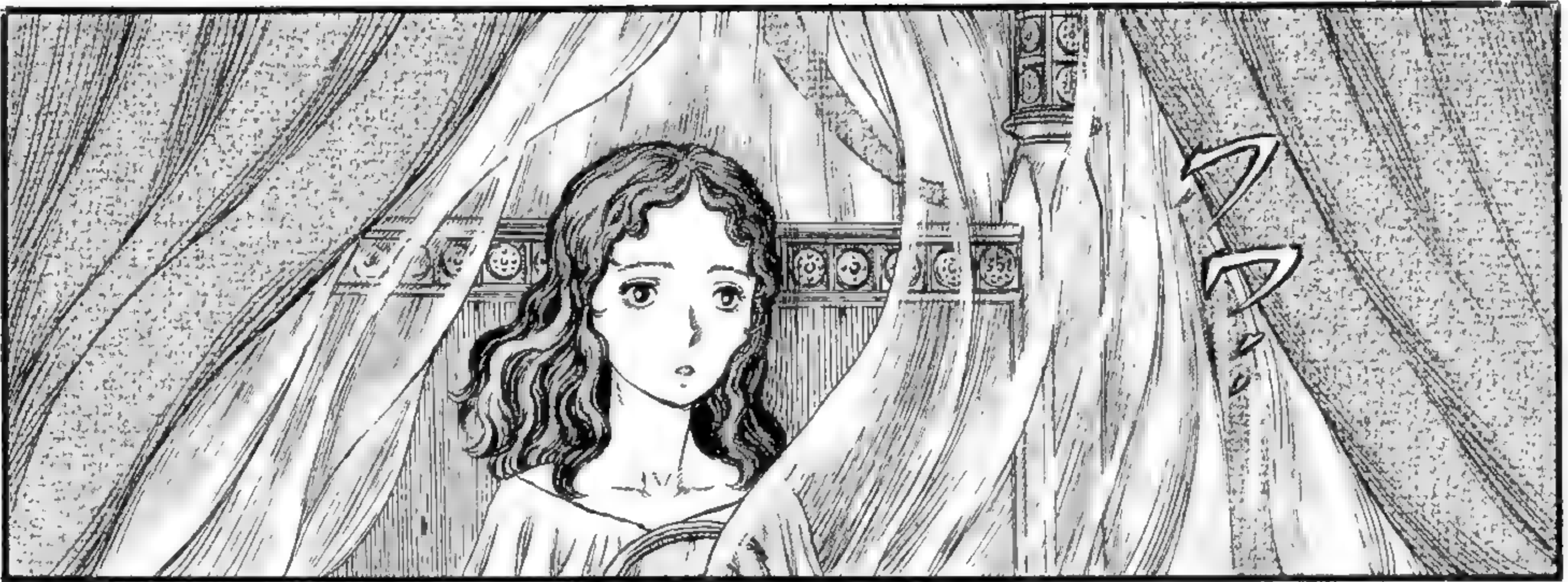
.....



HAVE
A GOOD
NIGHT.



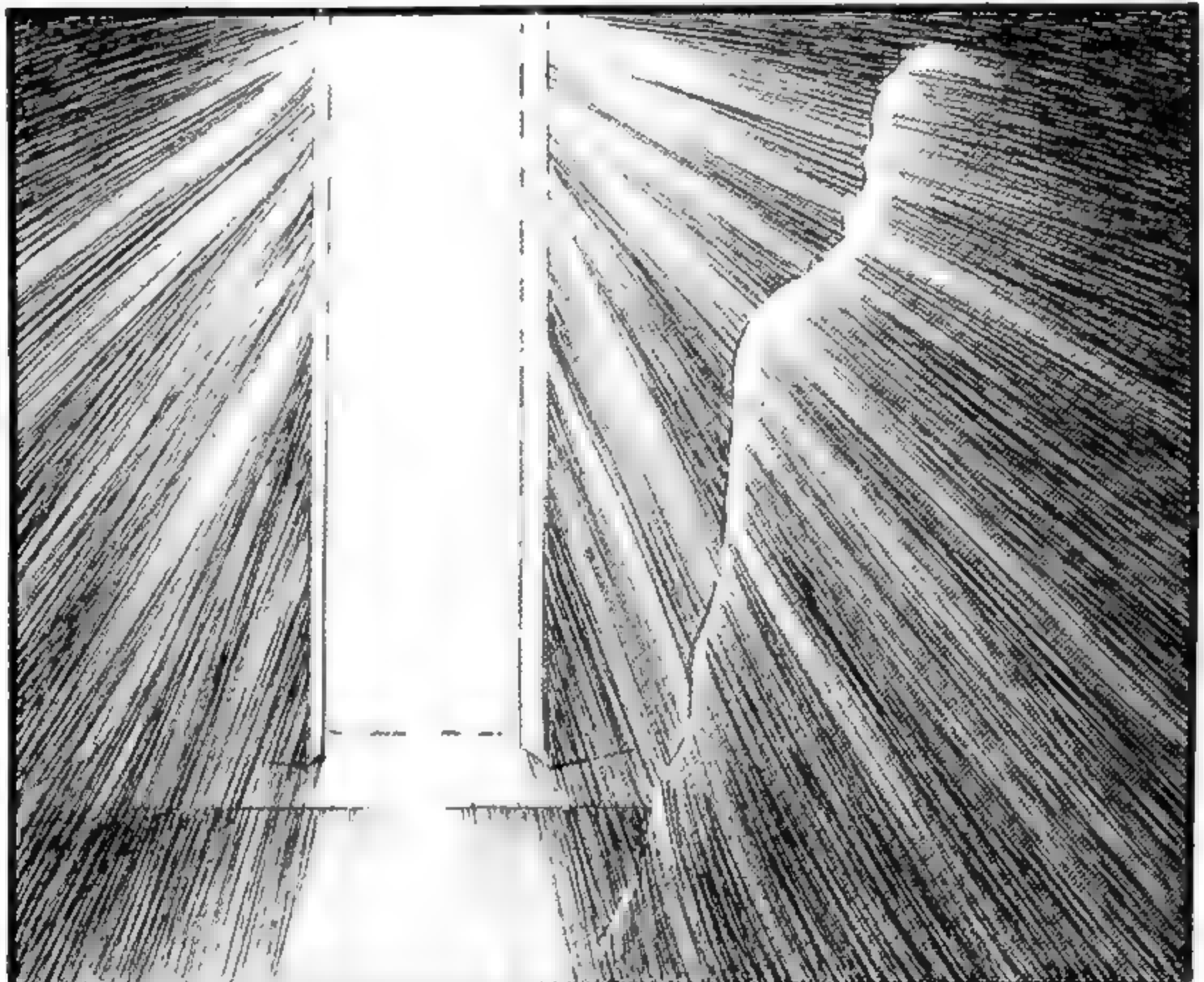
*FX: FWSSS



FX: KREEEE



THE
WIND...





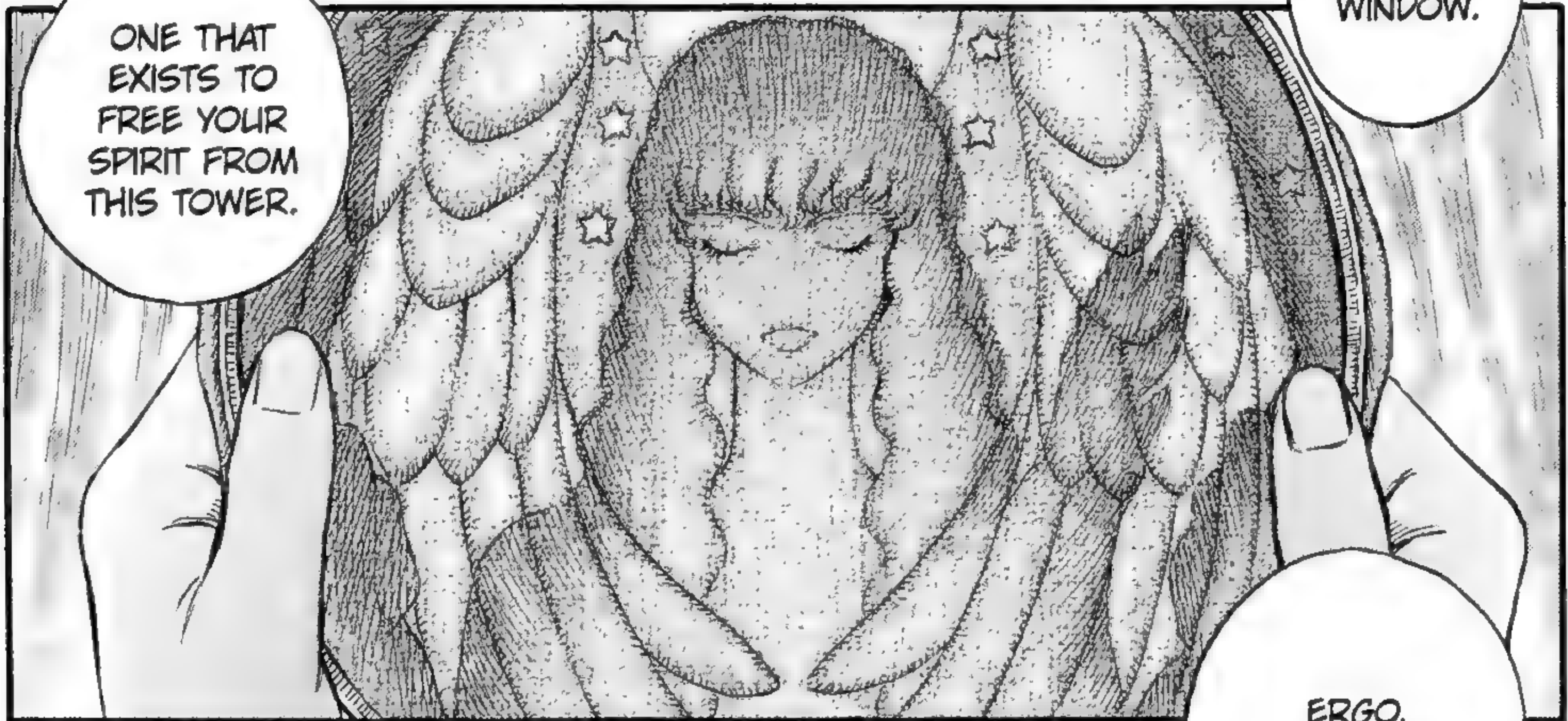
**THE SLEEPING
PRINCESS AWAKENS**

眠り姫の目覚め

BERSERK



THAT
EMBROID-
ERY IS A
WINDOW.



ONE THAT
EXISTS TO
FREE YOUR
SPIRIT FROM
THIS TOWER.

ERGO,
THIS IS MY
ROLE.

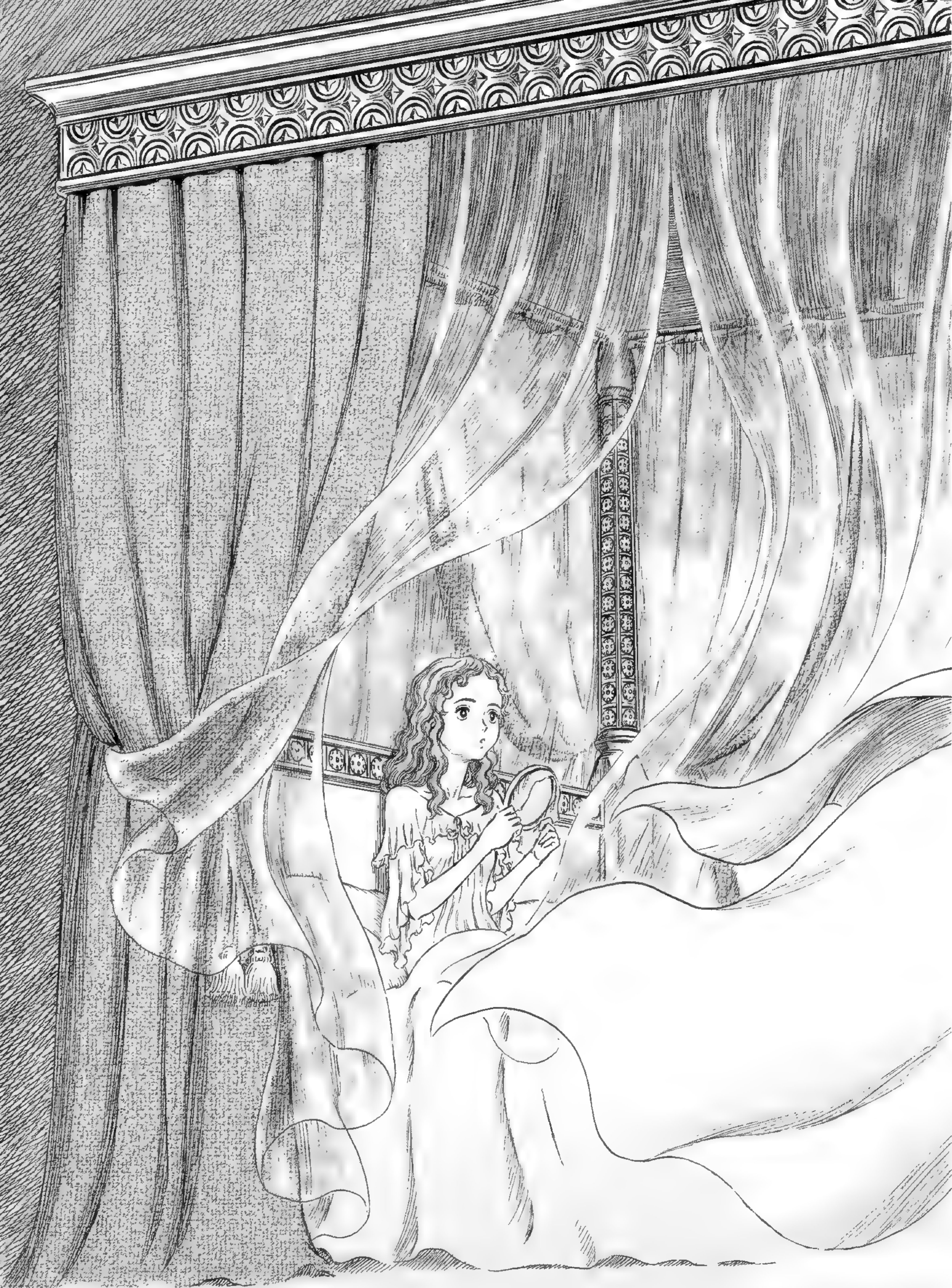


.....



IT
CAN'T
BE.

THE ONE
DEPICTED
BEYOND THE
WINDOW.





...I ASK,
ONCE AGAIN,
YOUR
PARDON...

THOUGH
IT BE DIS-
COURTEOUS...

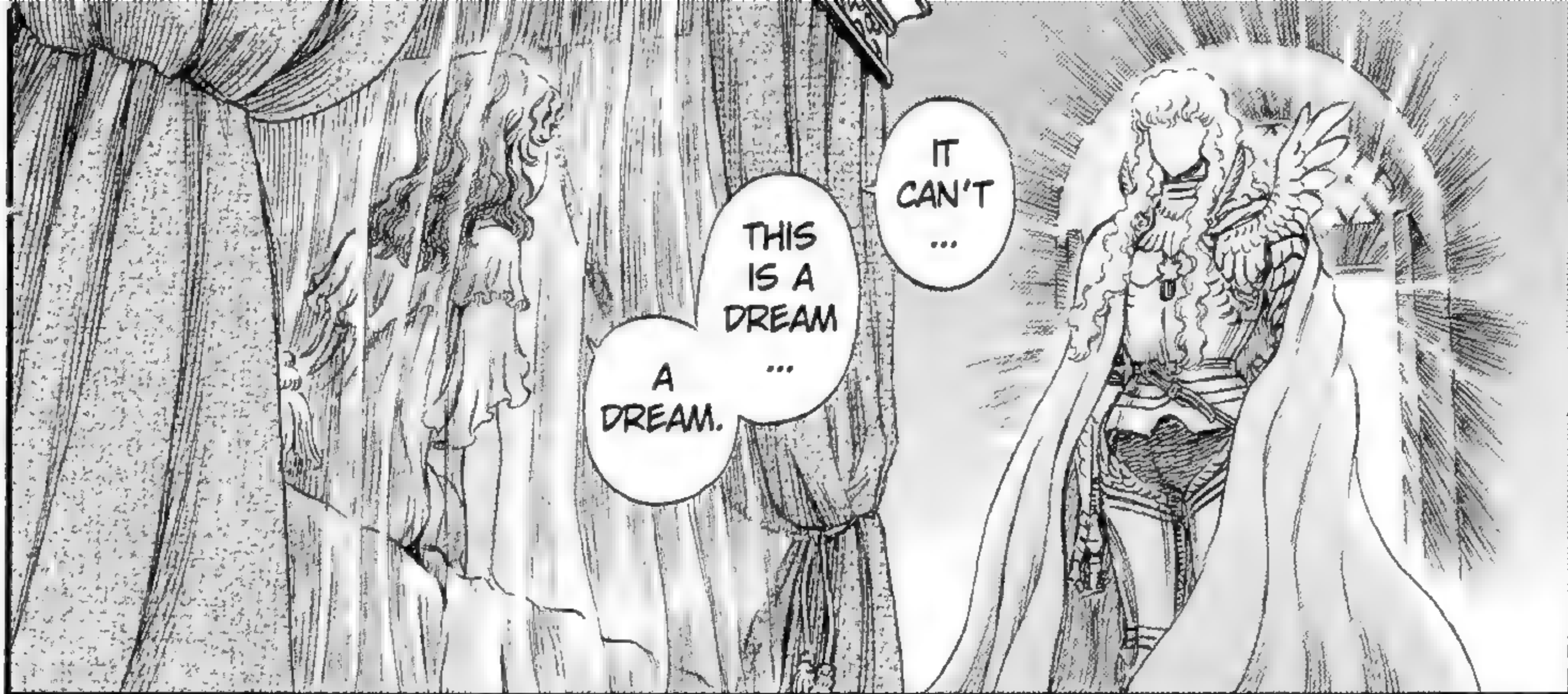
...PRINCESS
CHARLOTTE.



...FITH
...

LORD...

...
GRIF...



A
DREAM.

THIS
IS A
DREAM
...

IT
CAN'T
...



I LOST
TRACK OF
WHAT WAS A
DREAM AND
WHAT WAS
REAL.

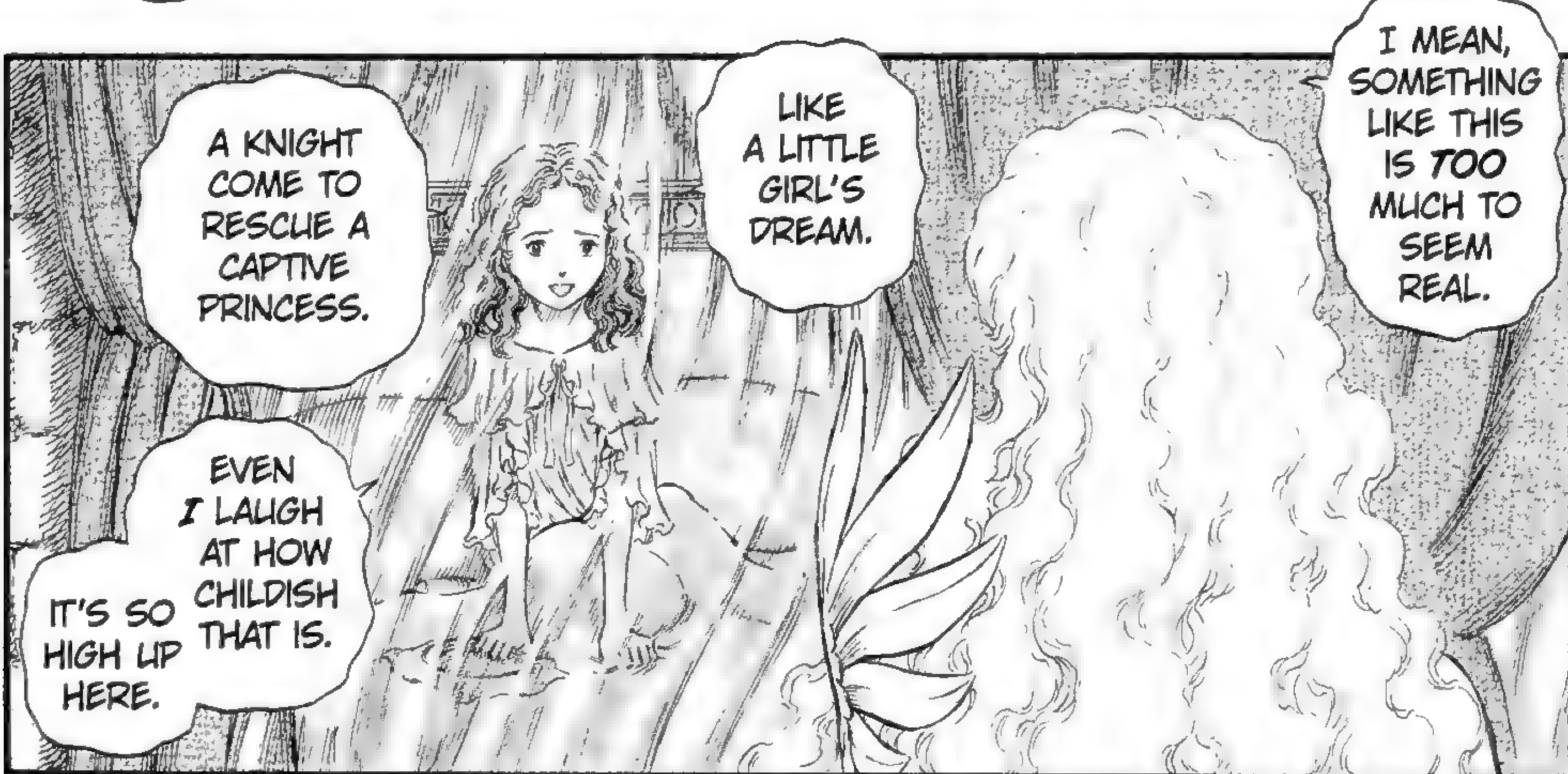
I...

IT'S ALL
I THINK
ABOUT.

ASLEEP
OR
AWAKE.

OVER
AND
OVER.

IT
HAS TO
BE.

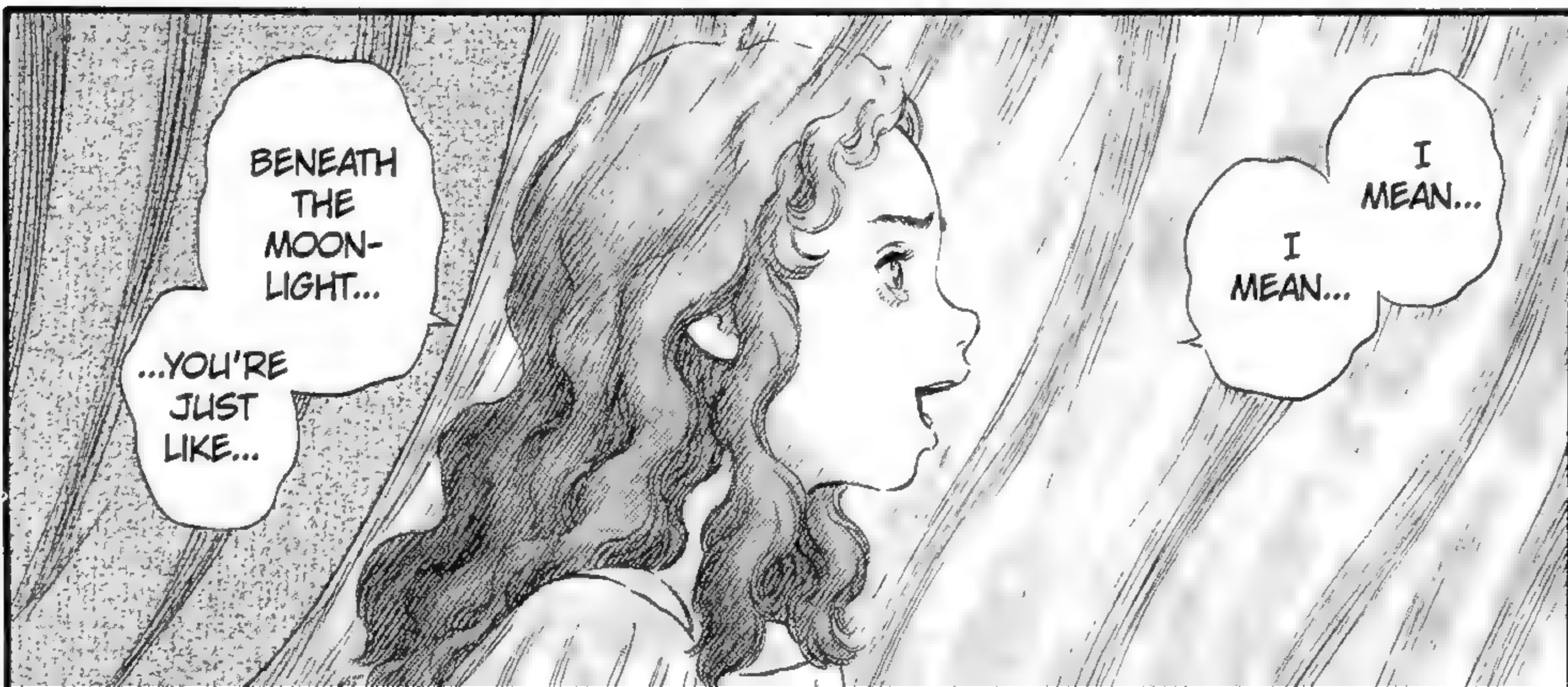


A KNIGHT
COME TO
RESCUE A
CAPTIVE
PRINCESS.

EVEN
I LAUGH
AT HOW
CHILDISH
THAT IS.
IT'S SO
HIGH UP
HERE.

LIKE
A LITTLE
GIRL'S
DREAM.

I MEAN,
SOMETHING
LIKE THIS
IS TOO
MUCH TO
SEEM
REAL.



BENEATH
THE
MOON-
LIGHT...

...YOU'RE
JUST
LIKE...

I
MEAN...

I
MEAN...



BUT
PLEASE
...



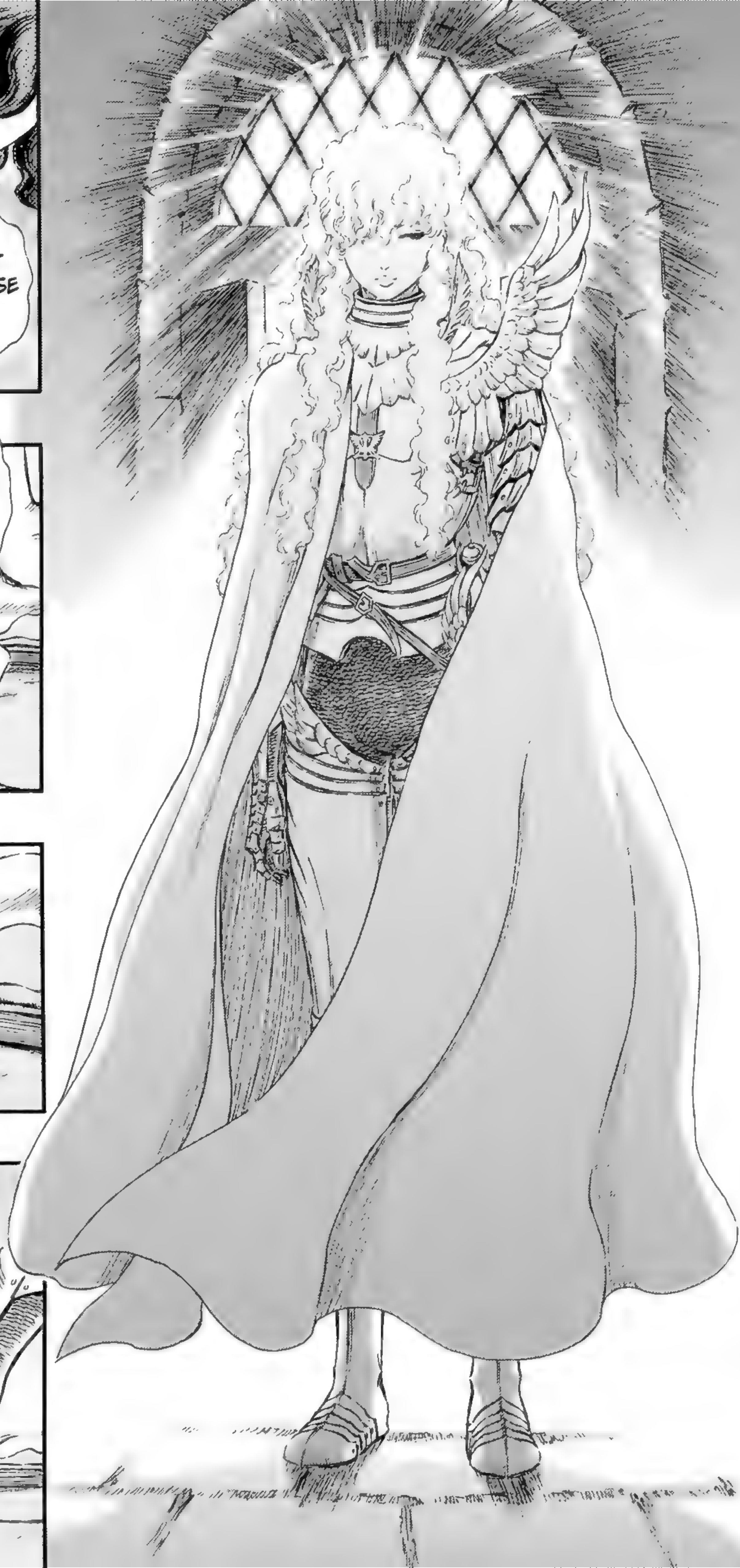
...I BEG
YOU...



...DON'T
DISAP-
PEAR...



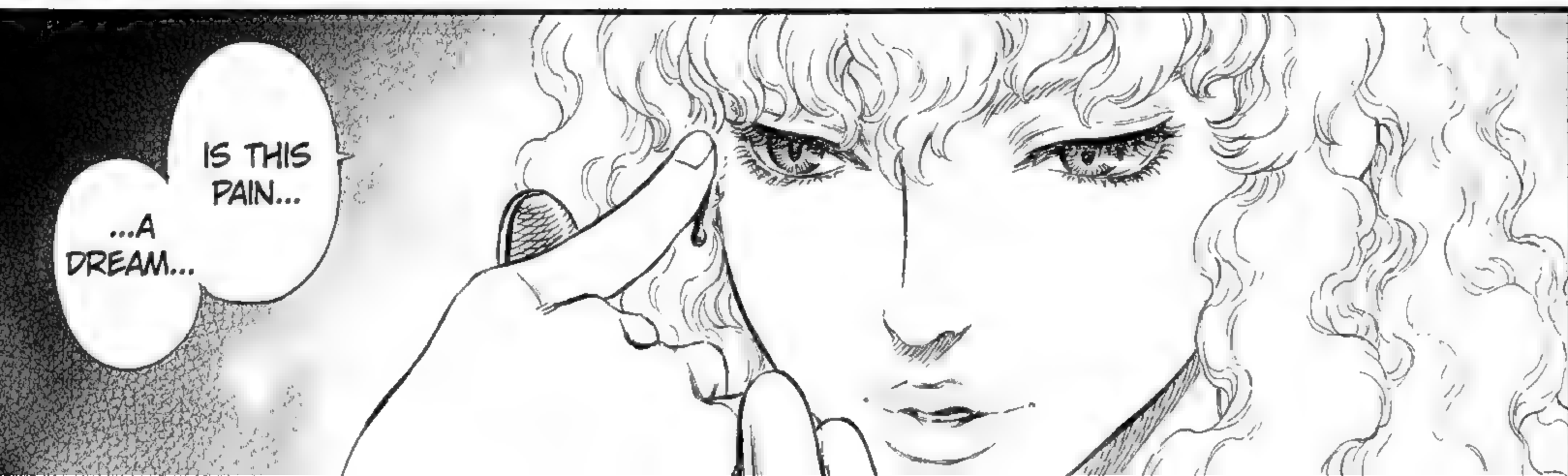
...LIKE
THAT
TIME...





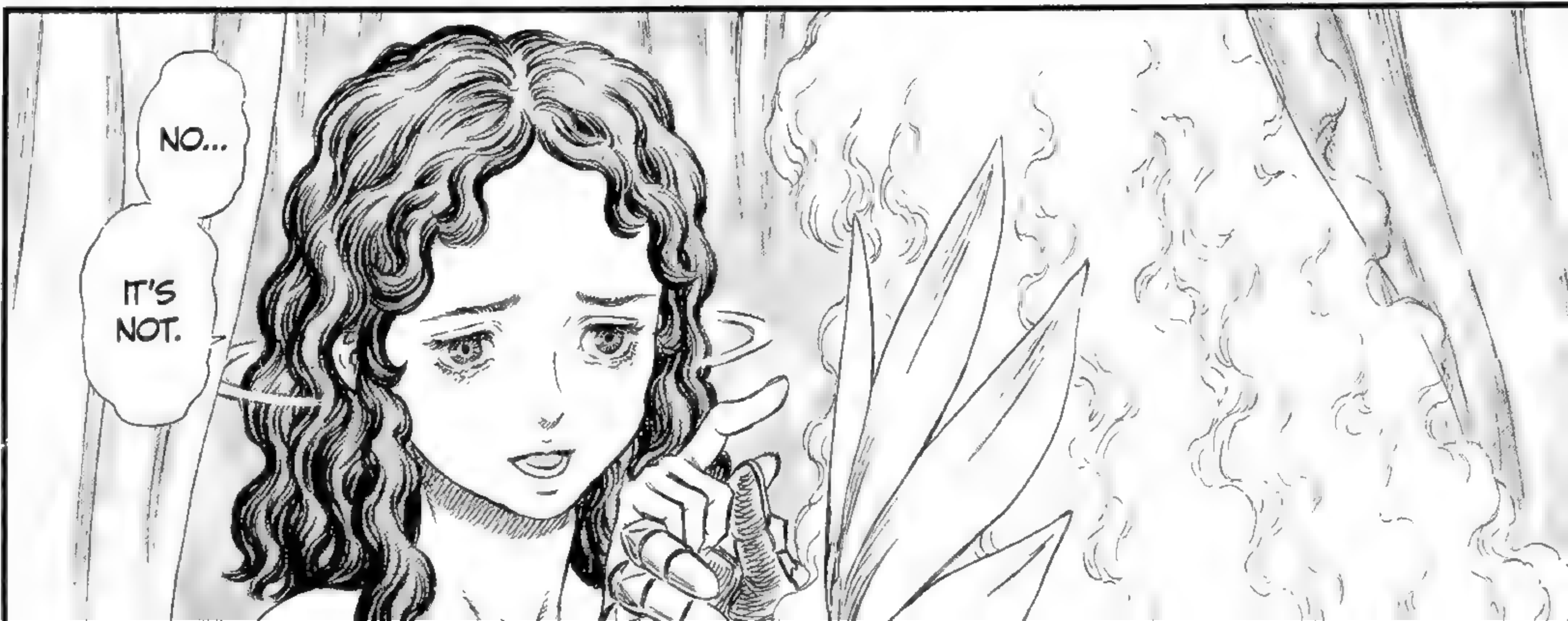
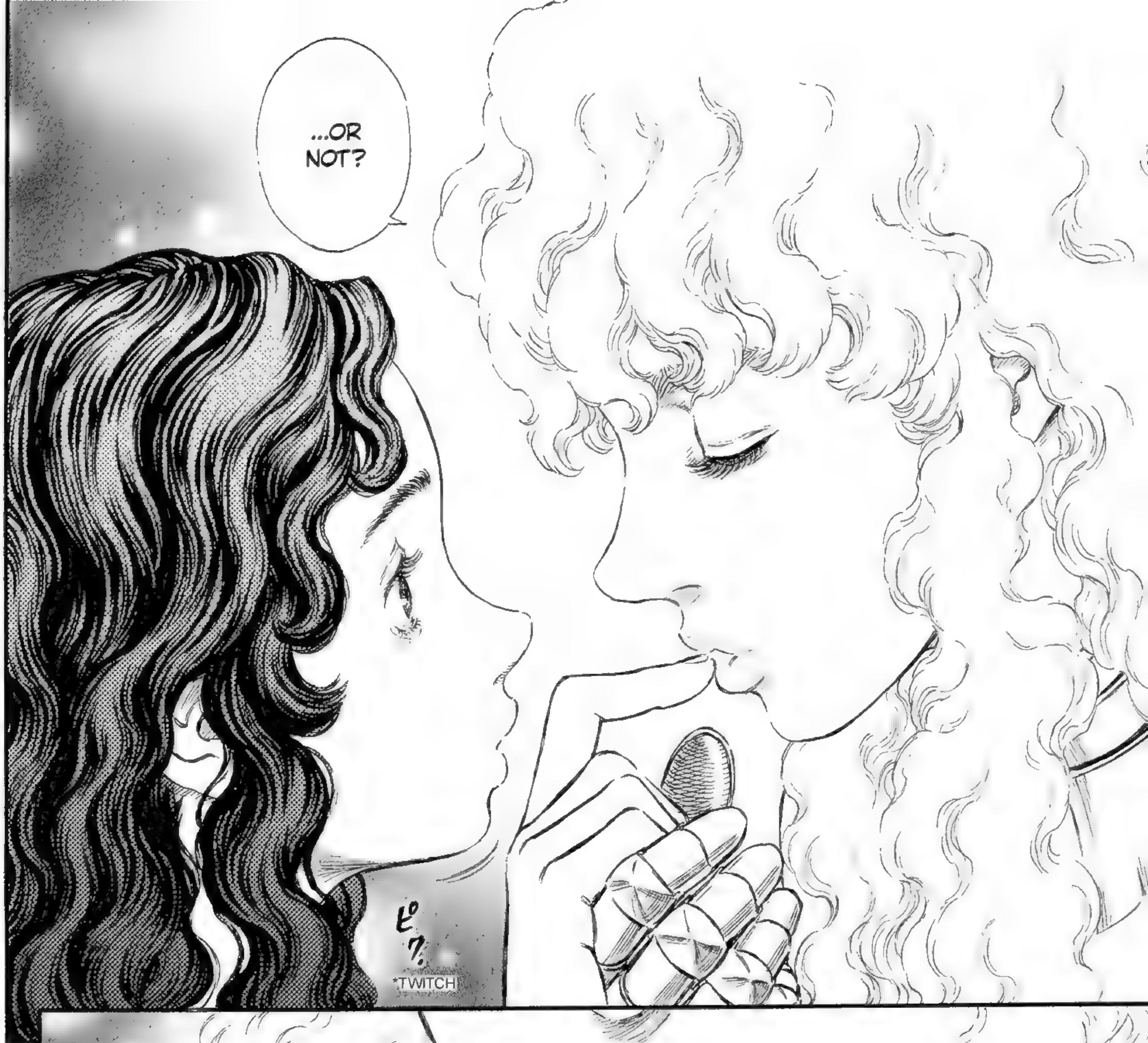
THERE
WAS A
STORY
LIKE
THAT.

THE
PRINCESS
WHO PRICKED
HER FINGER
WITH THE
NEEDLE FELL
INTO A DEEP
SLEEP.



IS THIS
PAIN...

...A
DREAM...



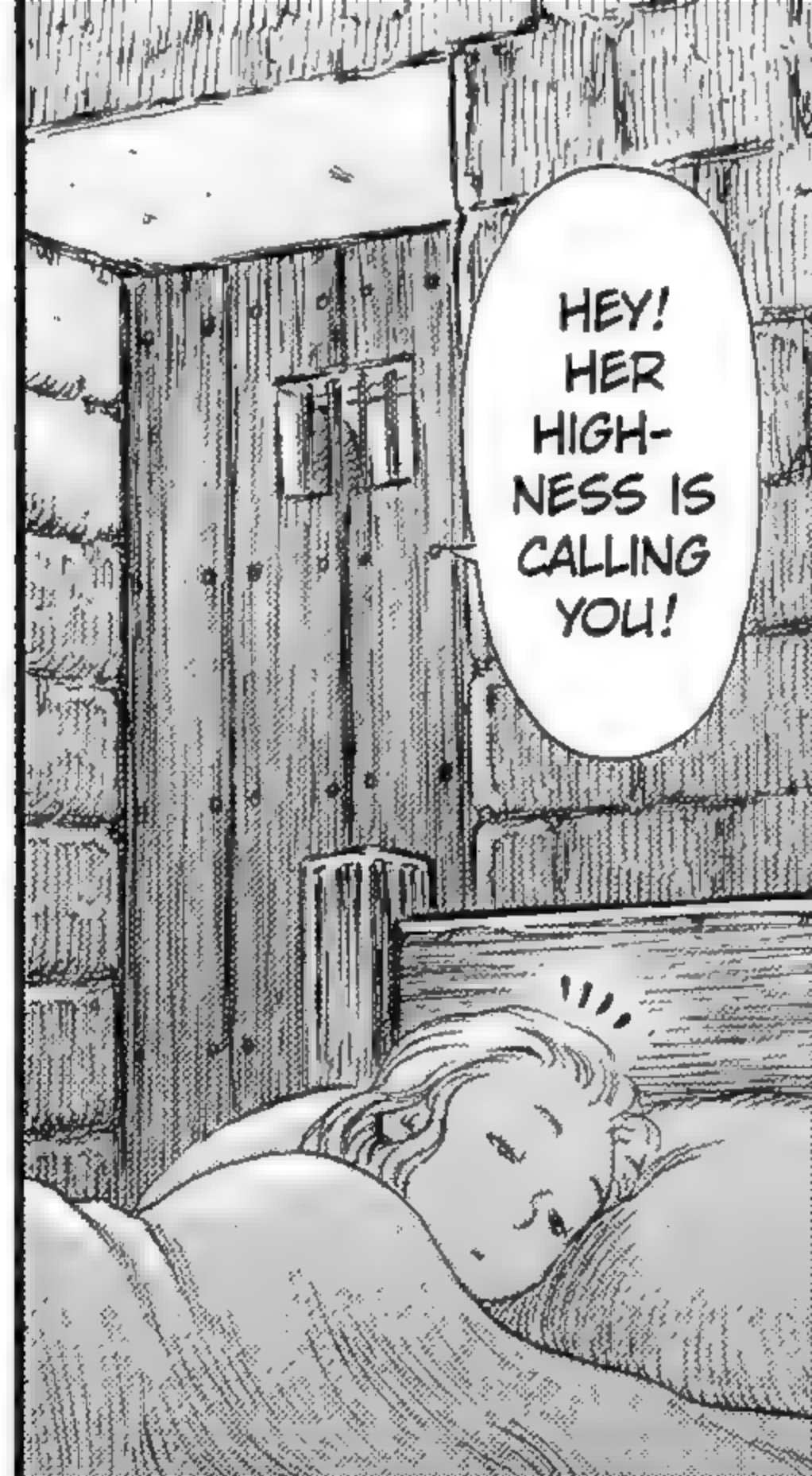
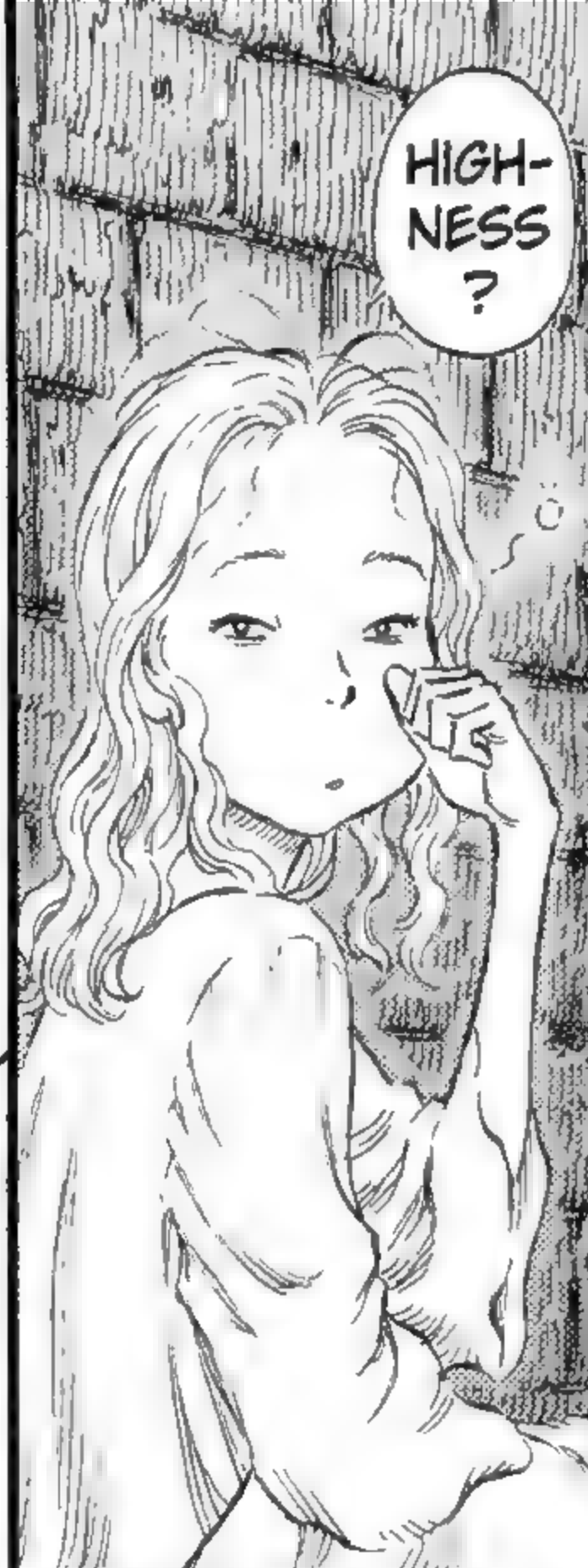
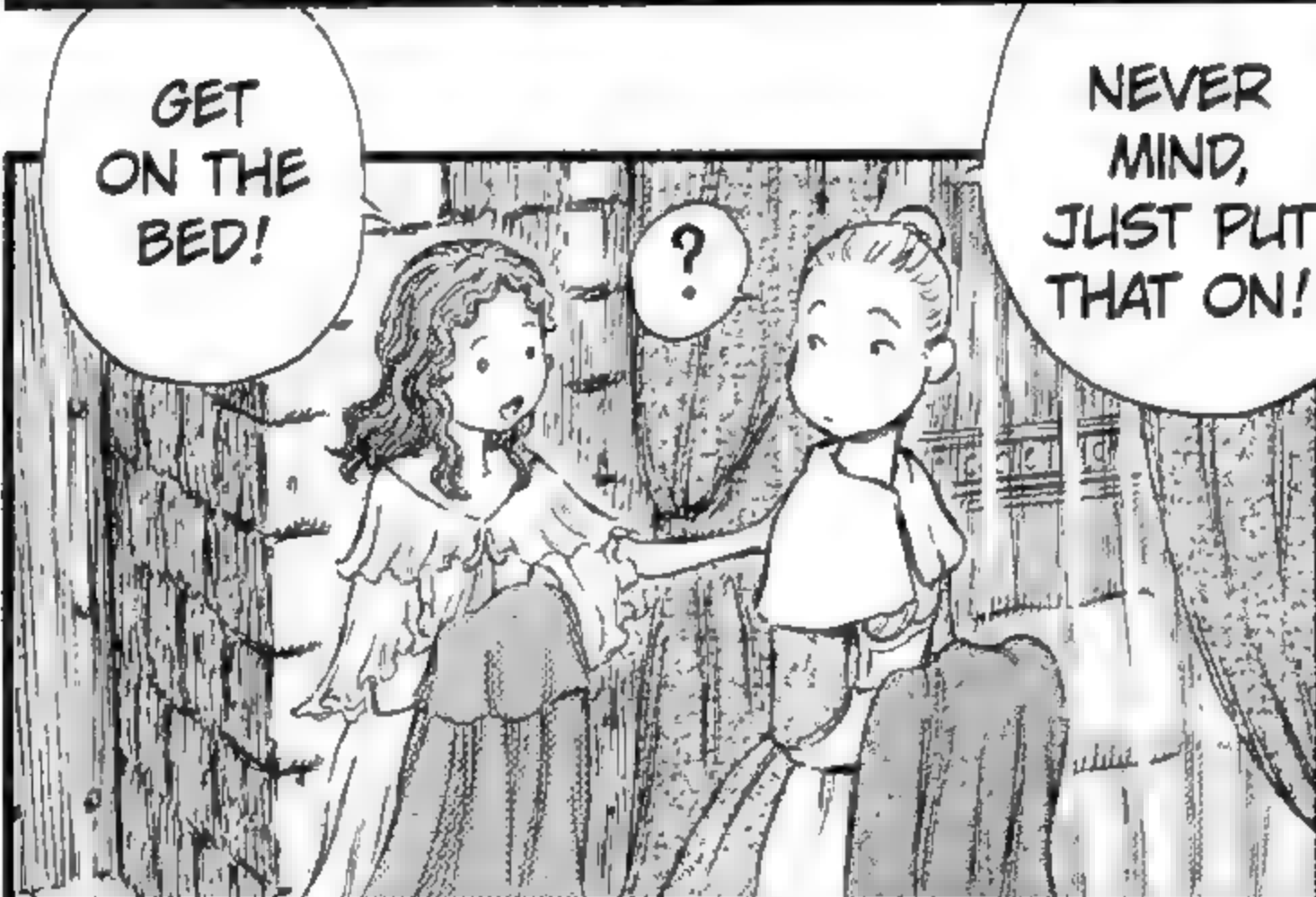
...JUST
NOW
WOKE
UP.

THE
PRINCESS...



LORD
GRIFFITH...!



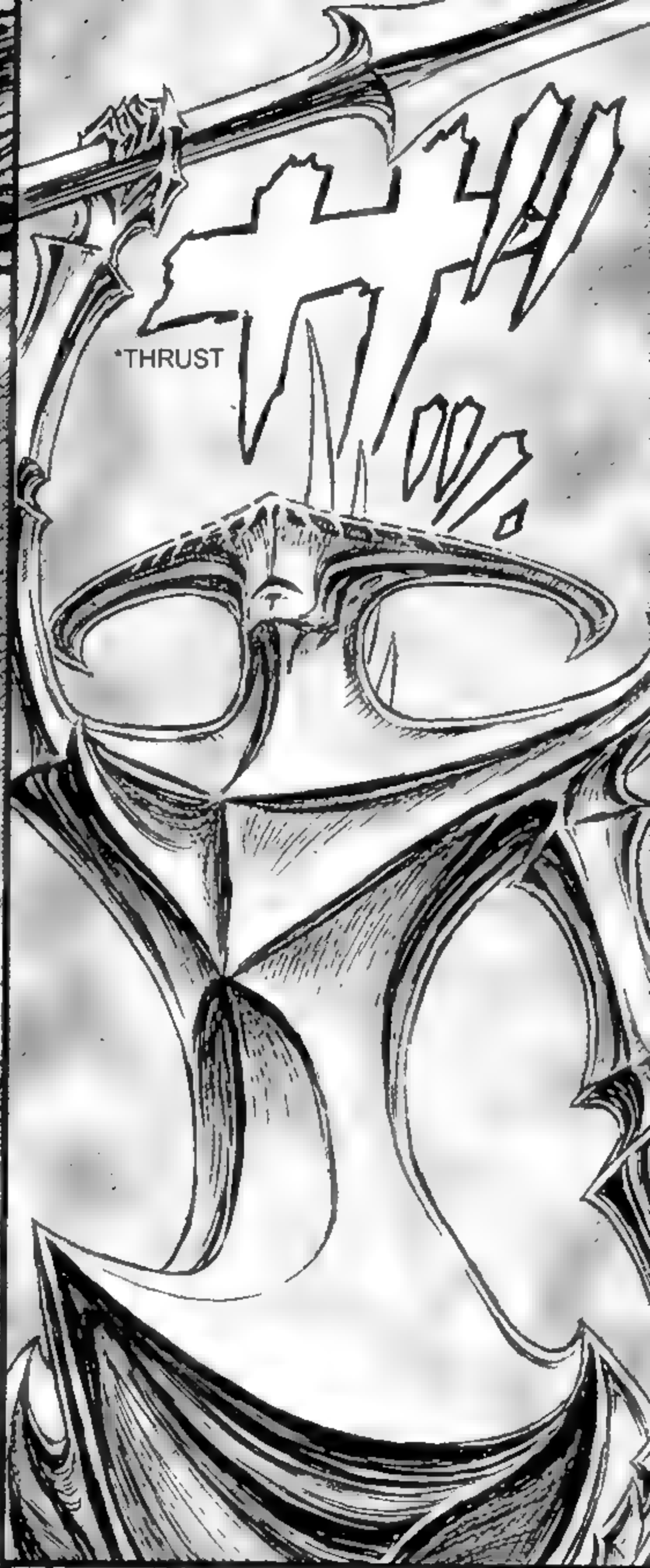


THIS IS NO
DREAM.

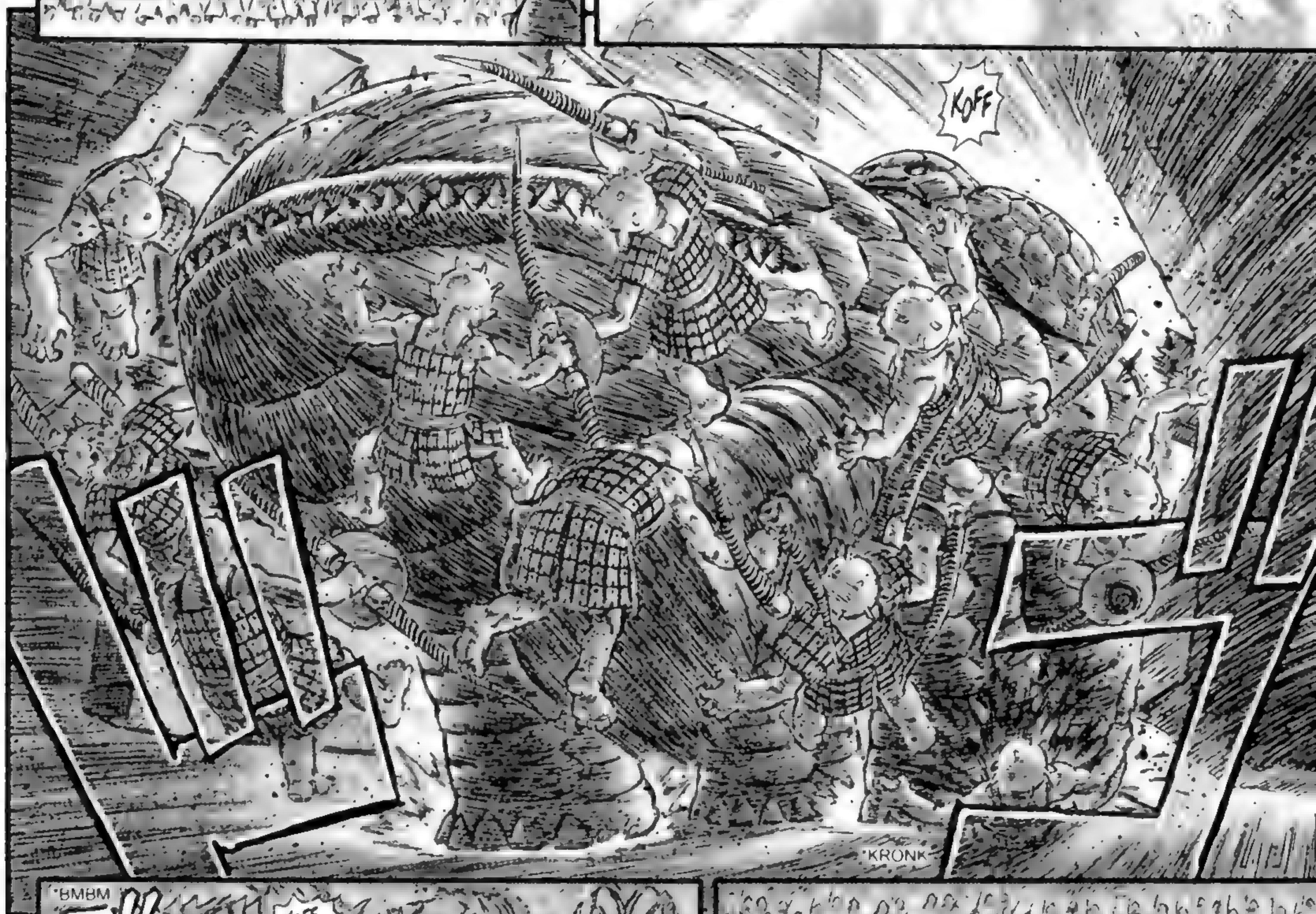
NO MORE
SLEEPING.

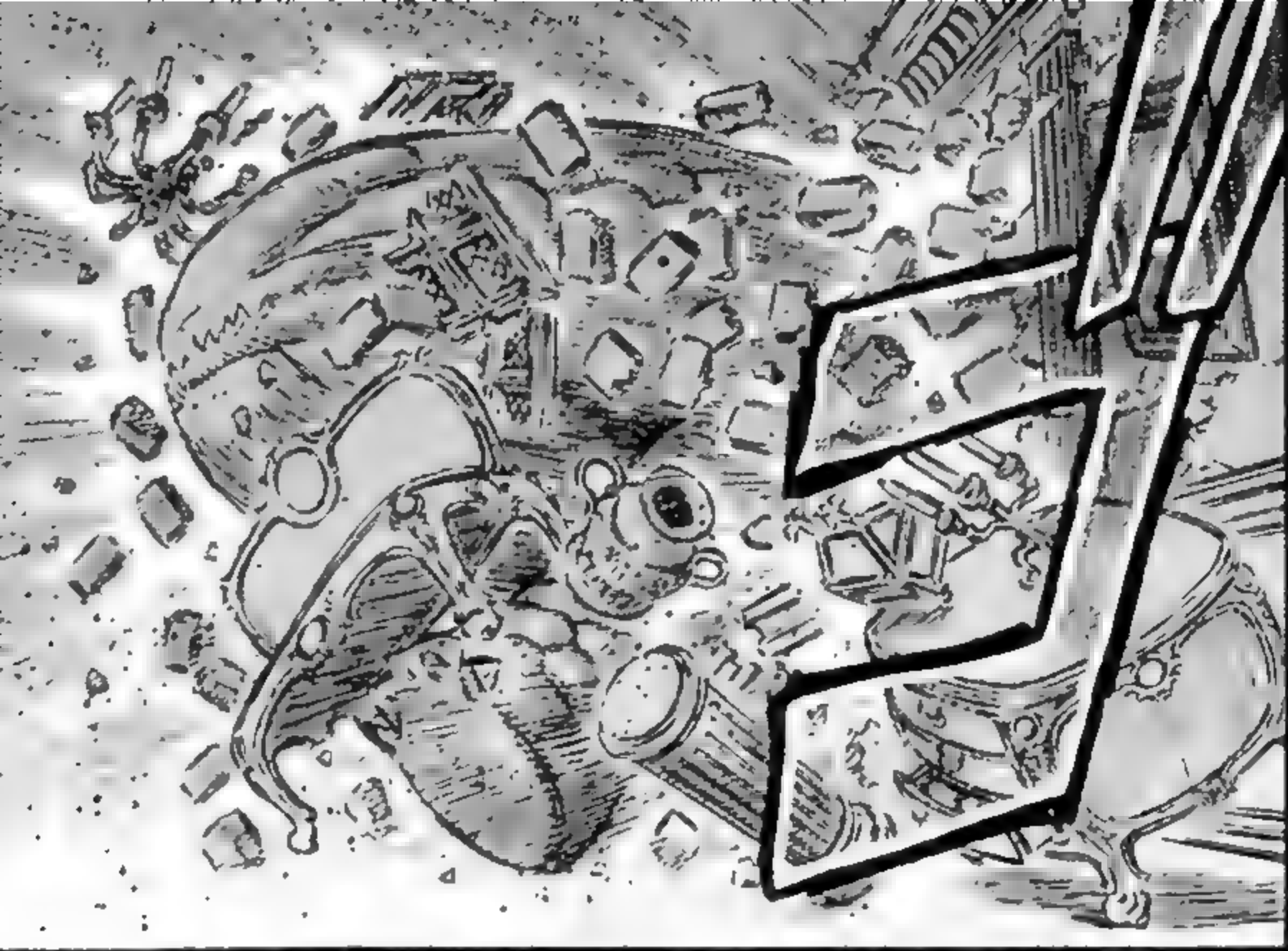
GDASSSH



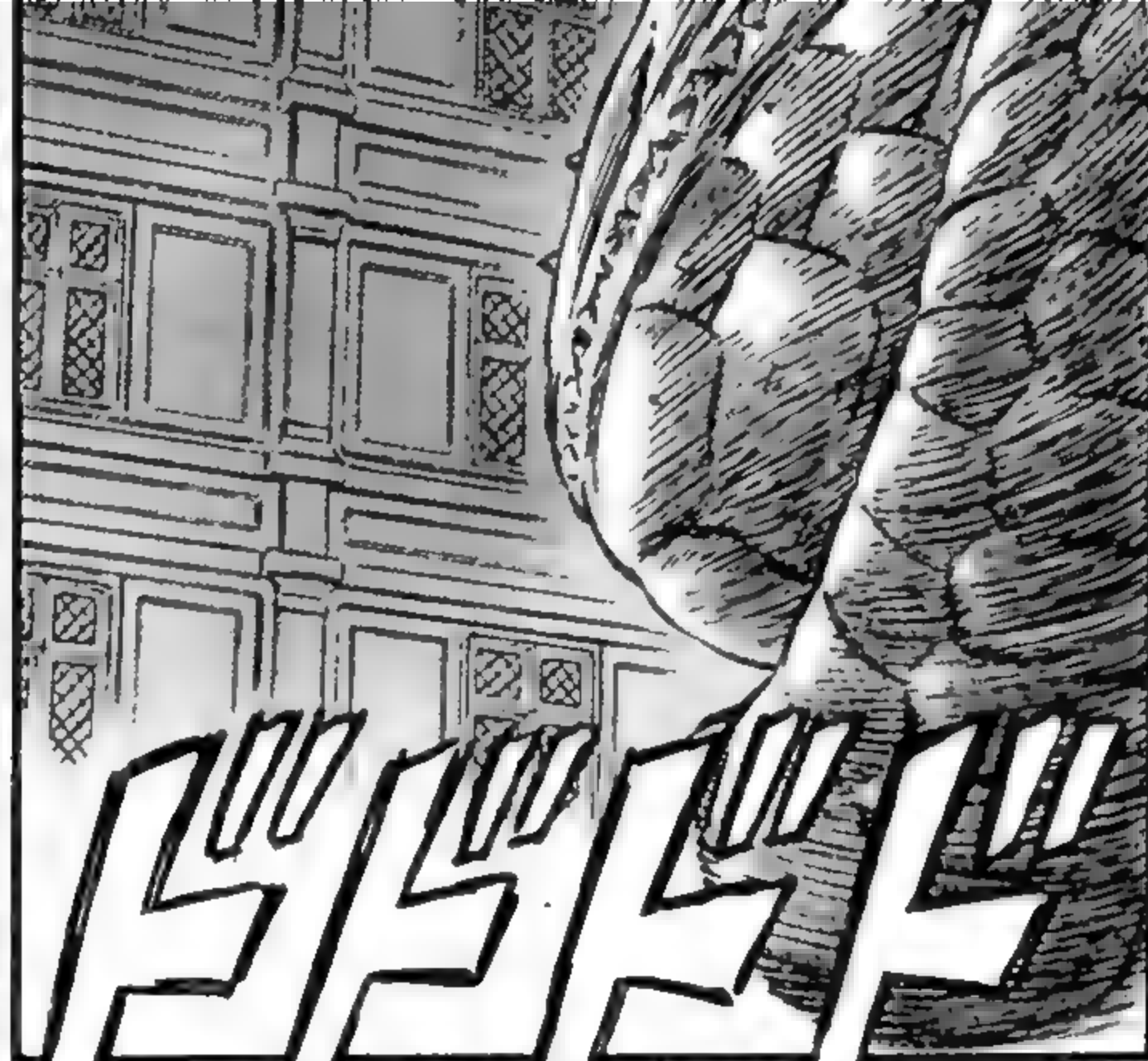


**ALL FORCES,
WITHDRAW!**





*FX: DOOSH



*DM *DM *DM *DM

*FX: ZSSSSSH

*FX DOOSH DOOSH DOOSH DOOSH



*GSSSSH

*DMDMDMDM



ズ
ズ
ズ
ズ

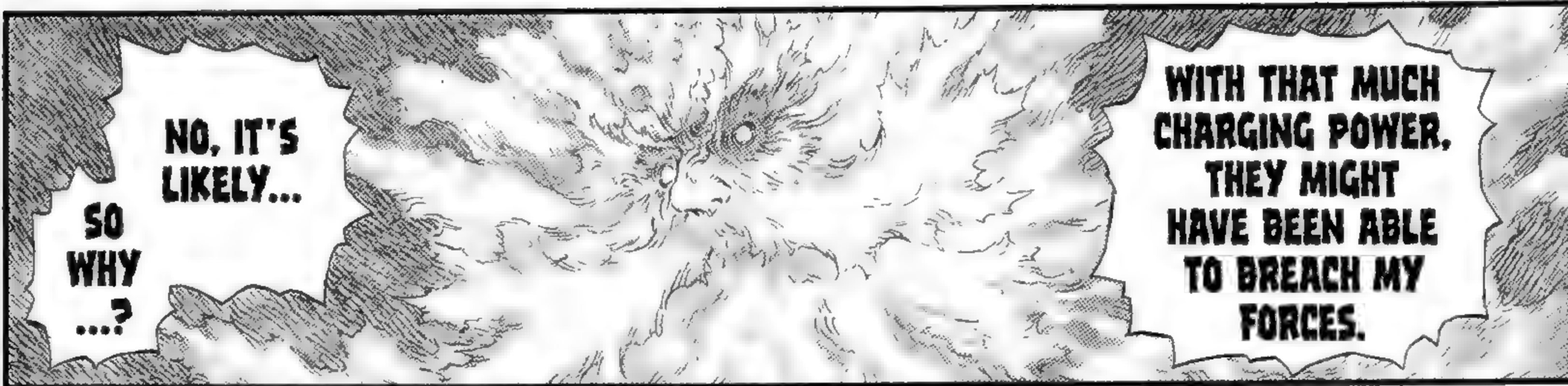


ゴ
ゴ
ゴ
ゴ
ゴ



**AND
WHY SO
SUDDENLY
...?**

**WHY DID
THEY
RETREAT?**



**NO, IT'S
LIKELY...
SO
WHY
...?**

**WITH THAT MUCH
CHARGING POWER,
THEY MIGHT
HAVE BEEN ABLE
TO BREACH MY
FORCES.**

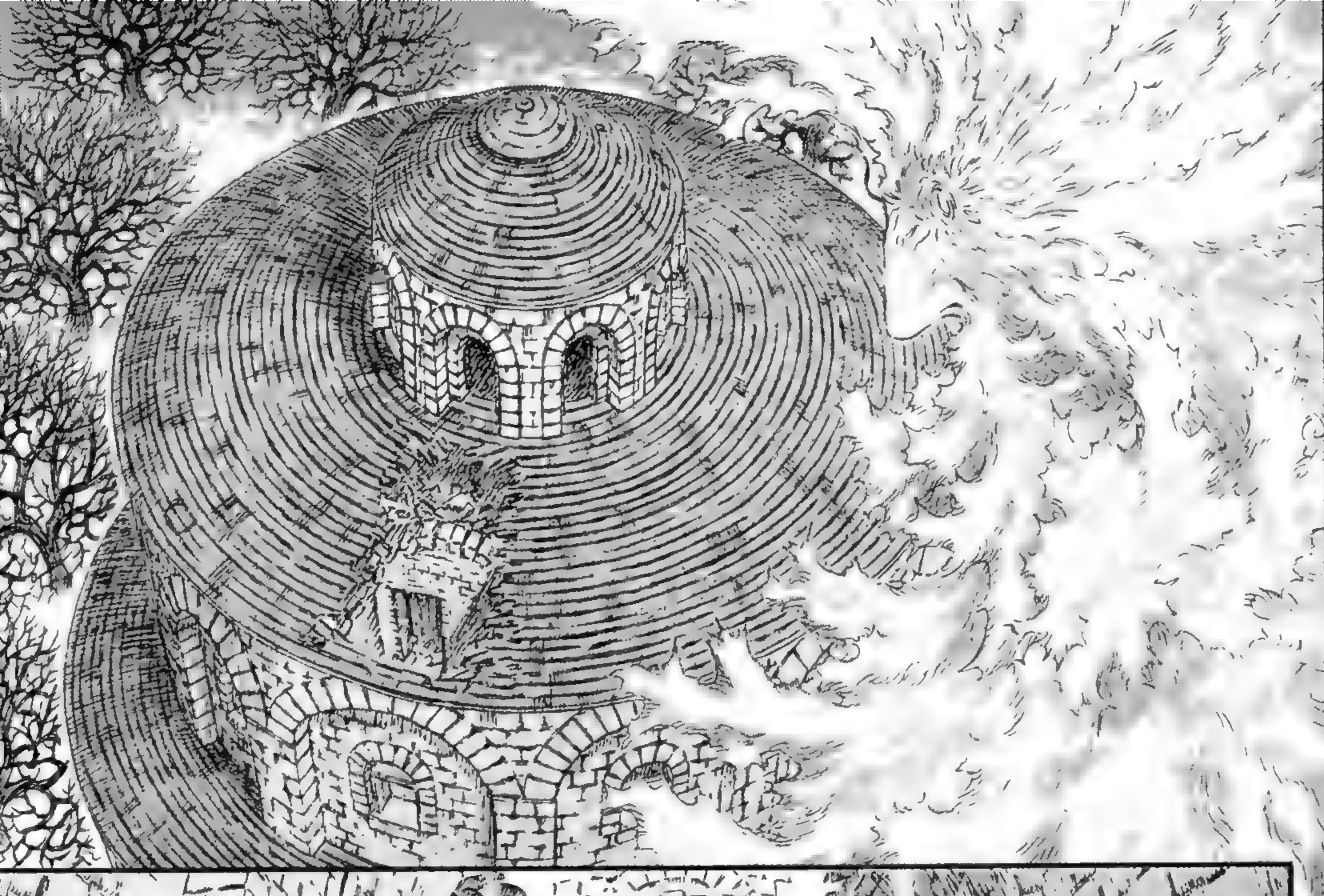


*FX: VWAHH



**IT
COULDN'T
BE...?!**

*FWOMM



*FX. CLATA

*FX KRAK

*FX PSSHT

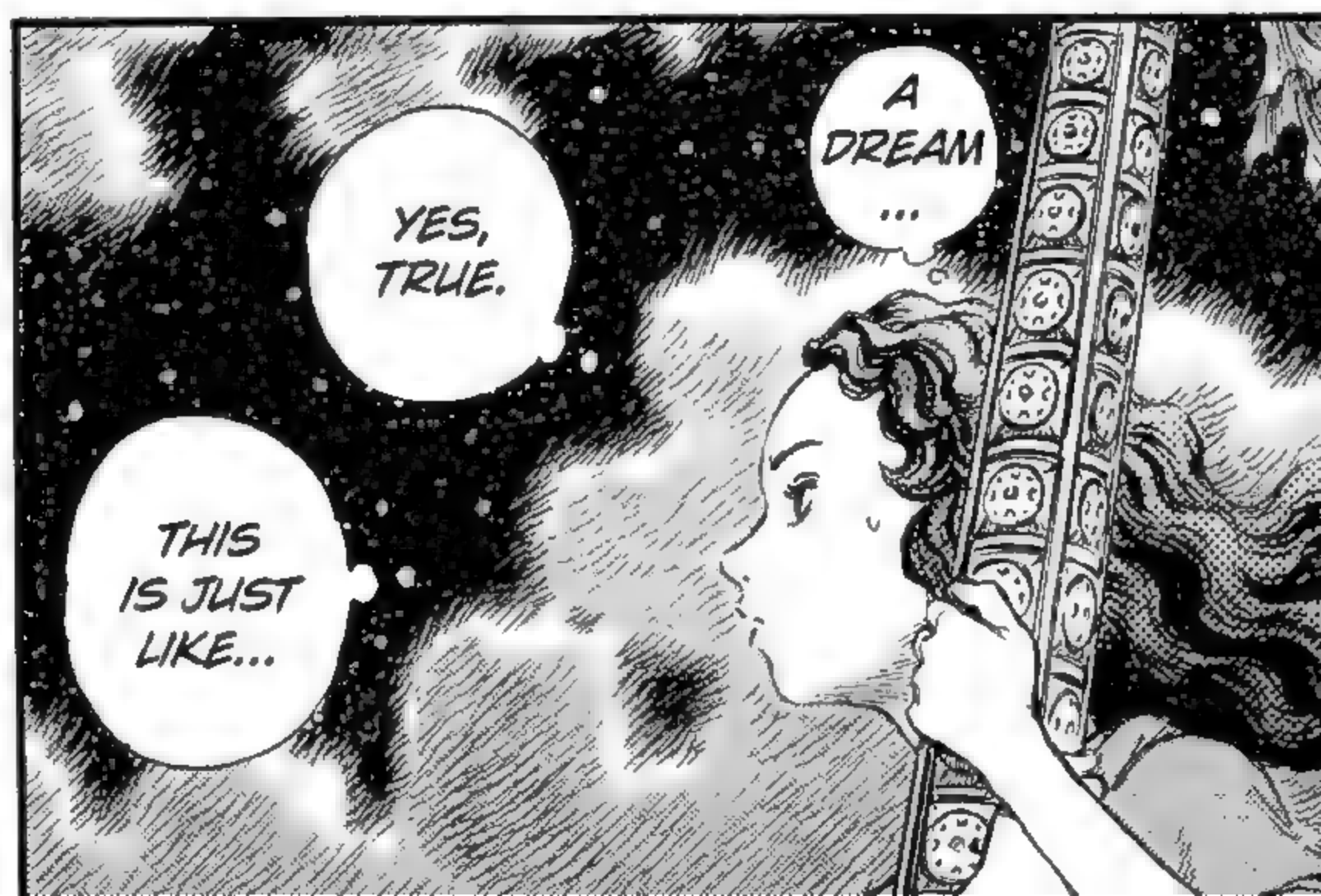
**FROM
THE SKY,
WHERE FOG
REACHES
NOT....!!**

**DAMN
YOU.**



*KRISSSH

**YOU
DECEIVED
MEEEE!!**



AMIDST
THIS
DREAM-
SCAPE...



...THIS
FINGER
AT LEAST
STILL
FEELS
WARM.



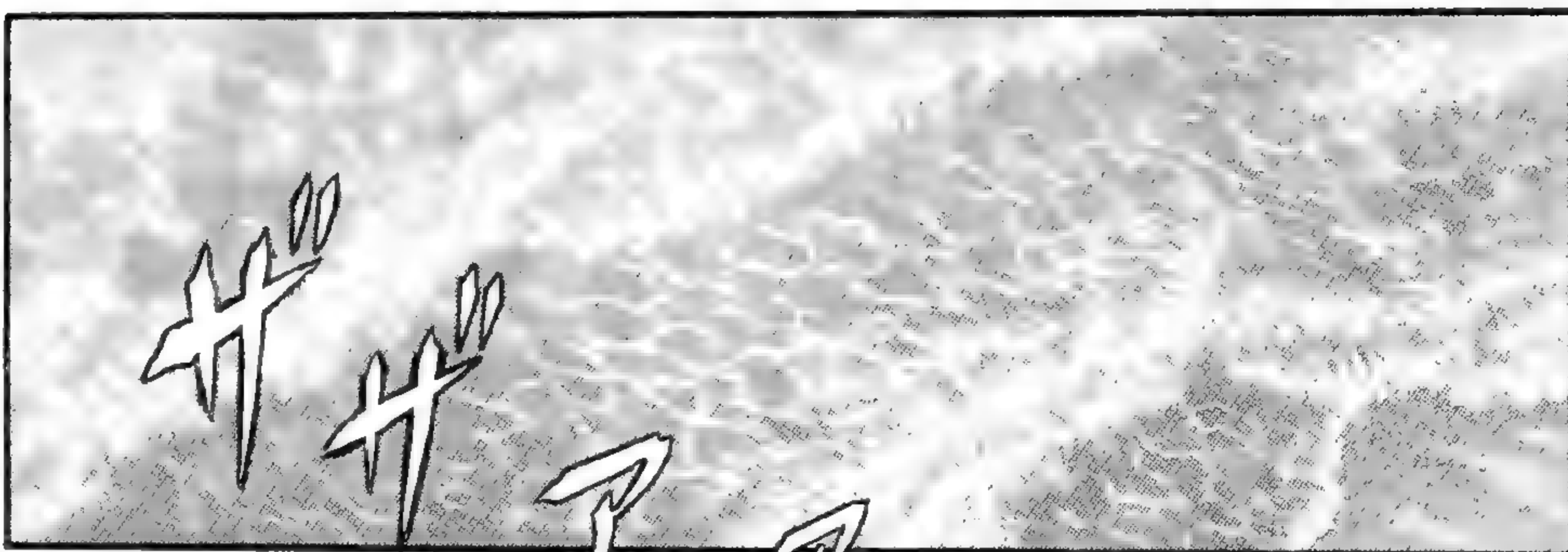
BERSERK

鷹都の章 潮騒

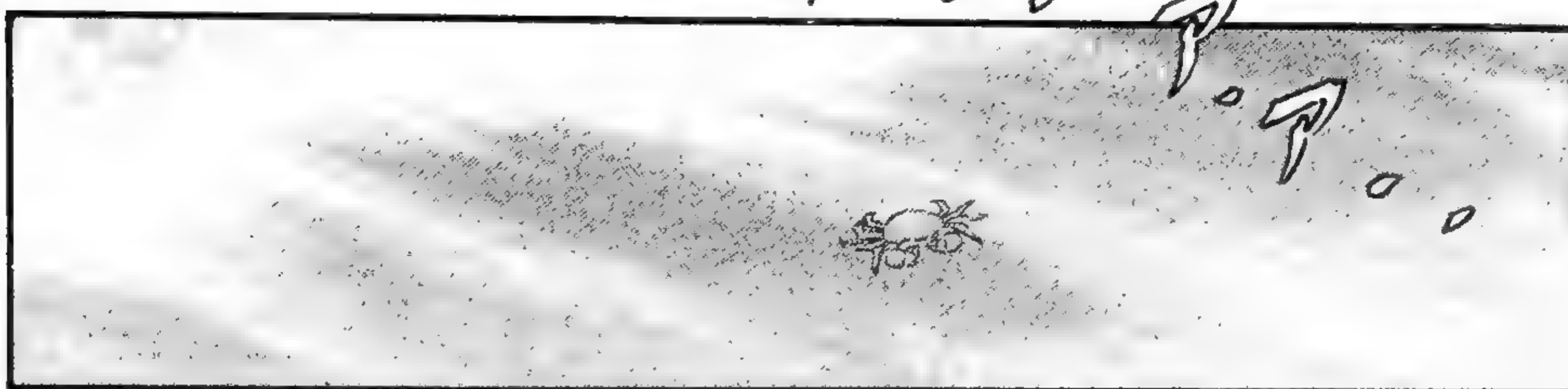
THE SOUND OF THE SEA



*FX: KEEERN KEEERN



*ZHZHAAAAA

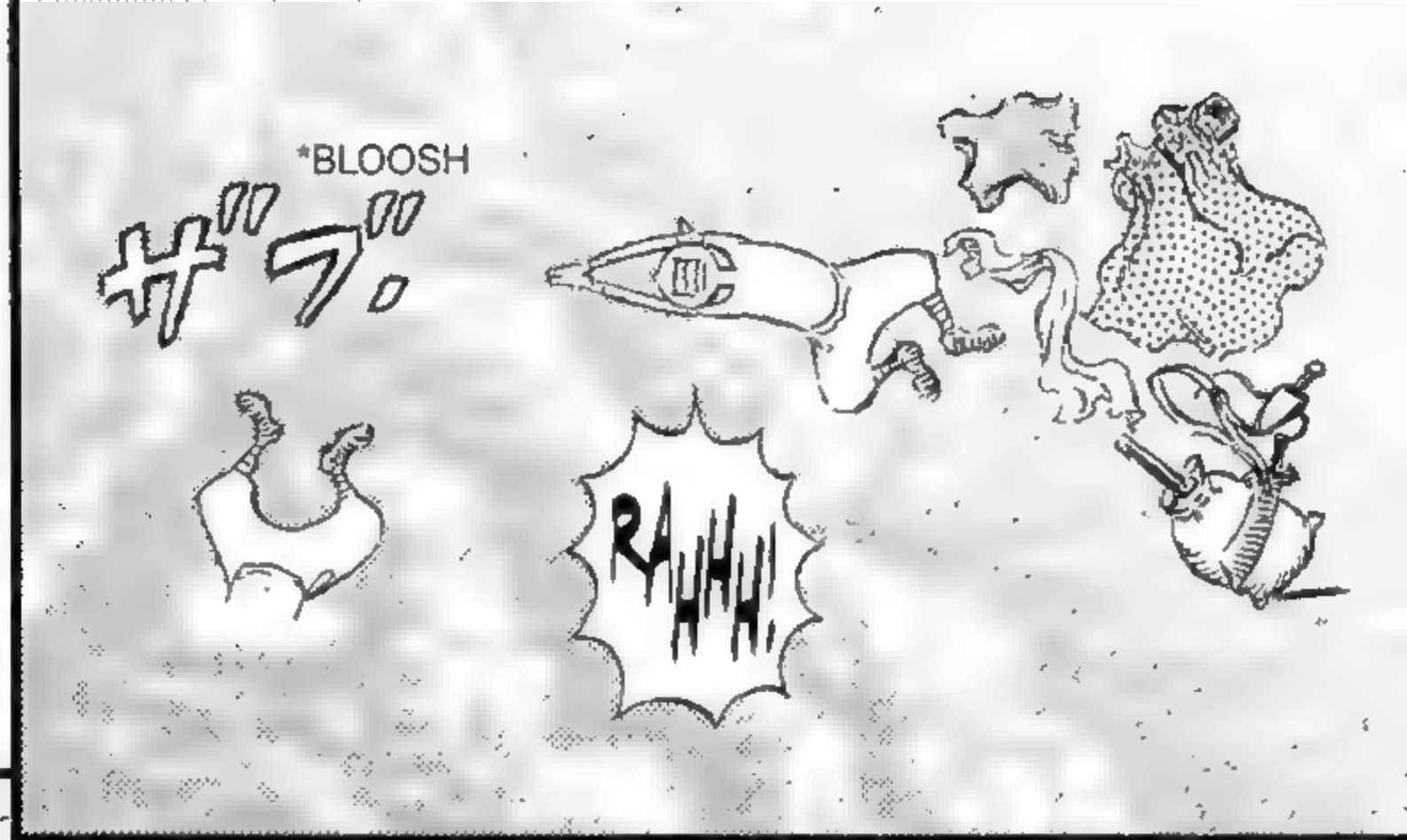
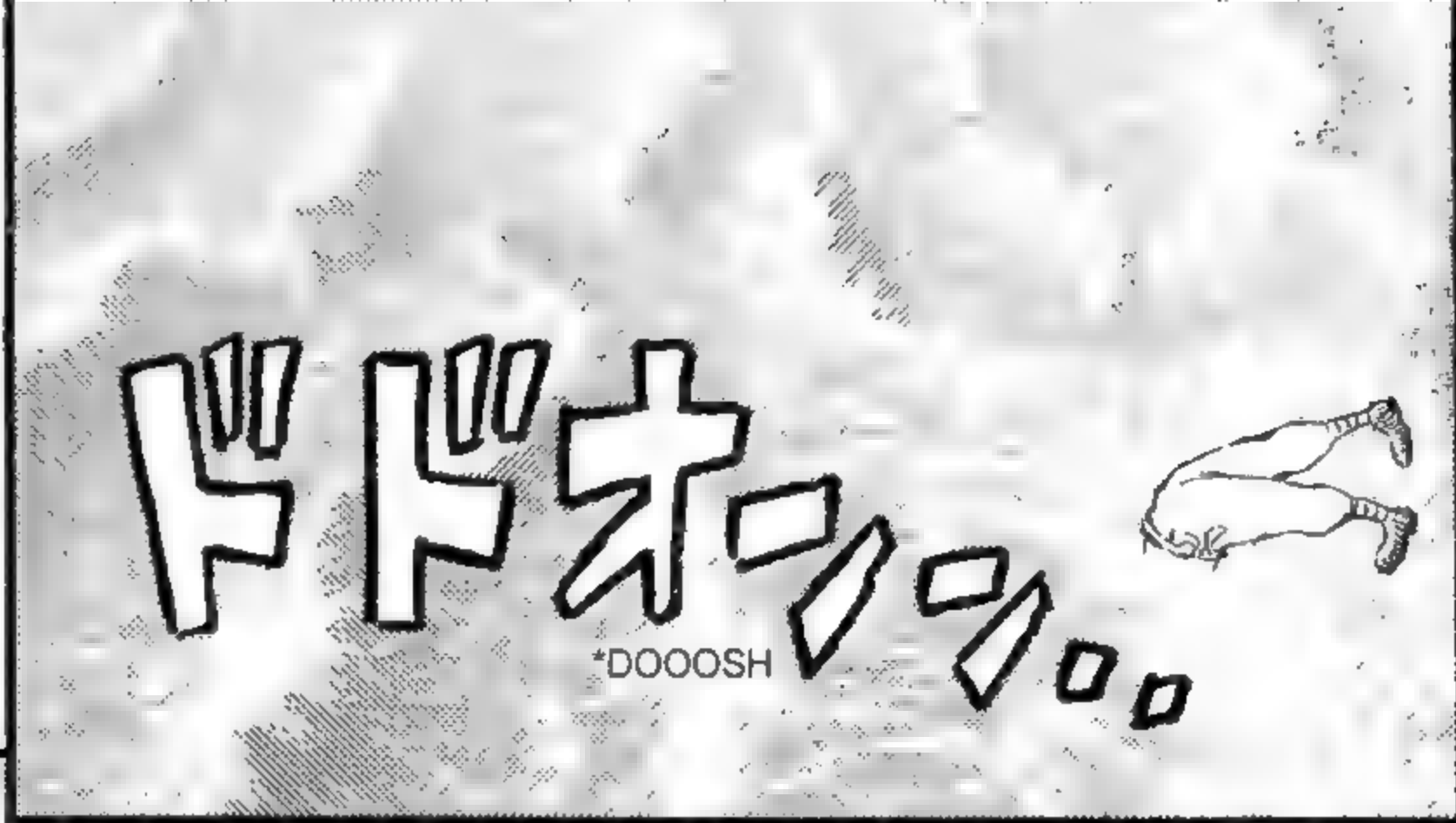


*PLACH



**FREAKIN'
HUUUGE!!!**





RIGHT,
SCHIERKE?

IT'S
JUST A BIG
PUDDLE!

AND IT'S
STICKY AND
STINKS
LIKE SALT.



WHAT
A CHILD,
GETTIN'
WORKED
UP JUST
SEEN'
THE SEA.

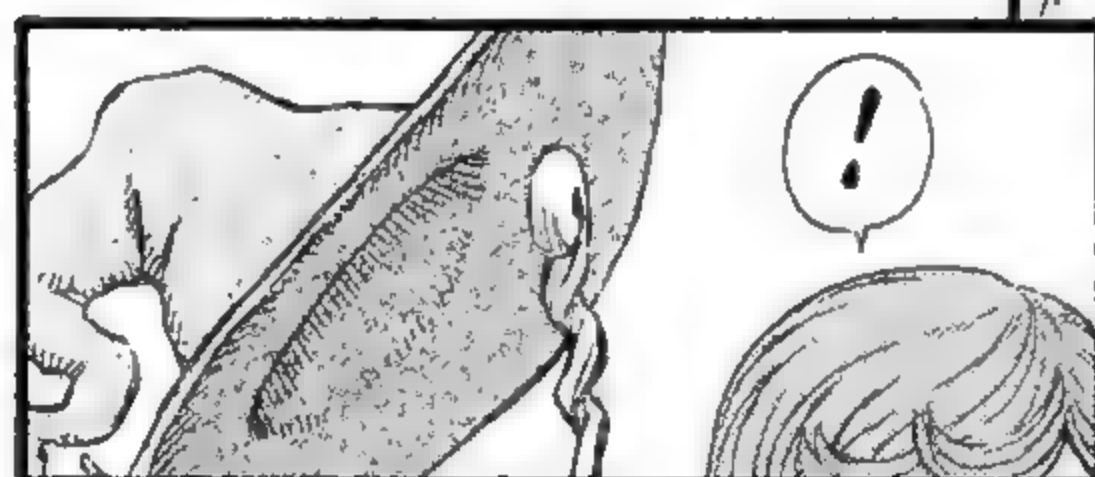


I UNDER-
STAND
ISIDRO
GREW UP
IN THE
MOUNTAINS,
SO IT
COMES AS
NO SUR-
PRISE.

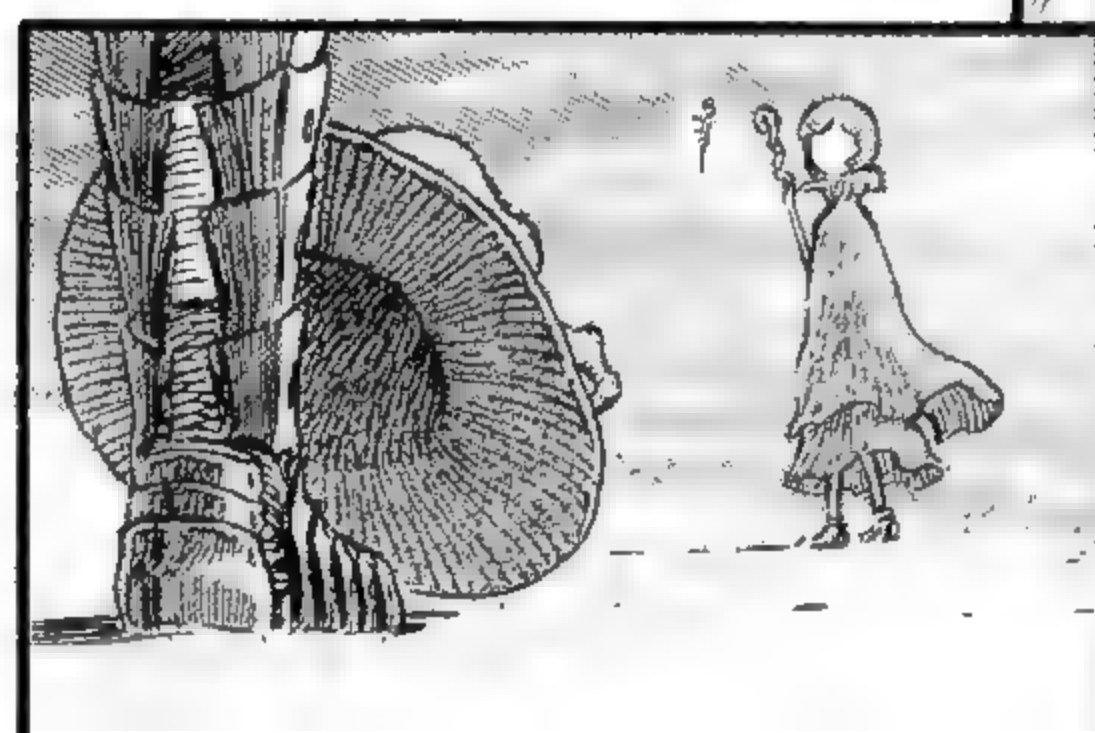


EH?

RIGHT,
SCHIERKE
?!



!



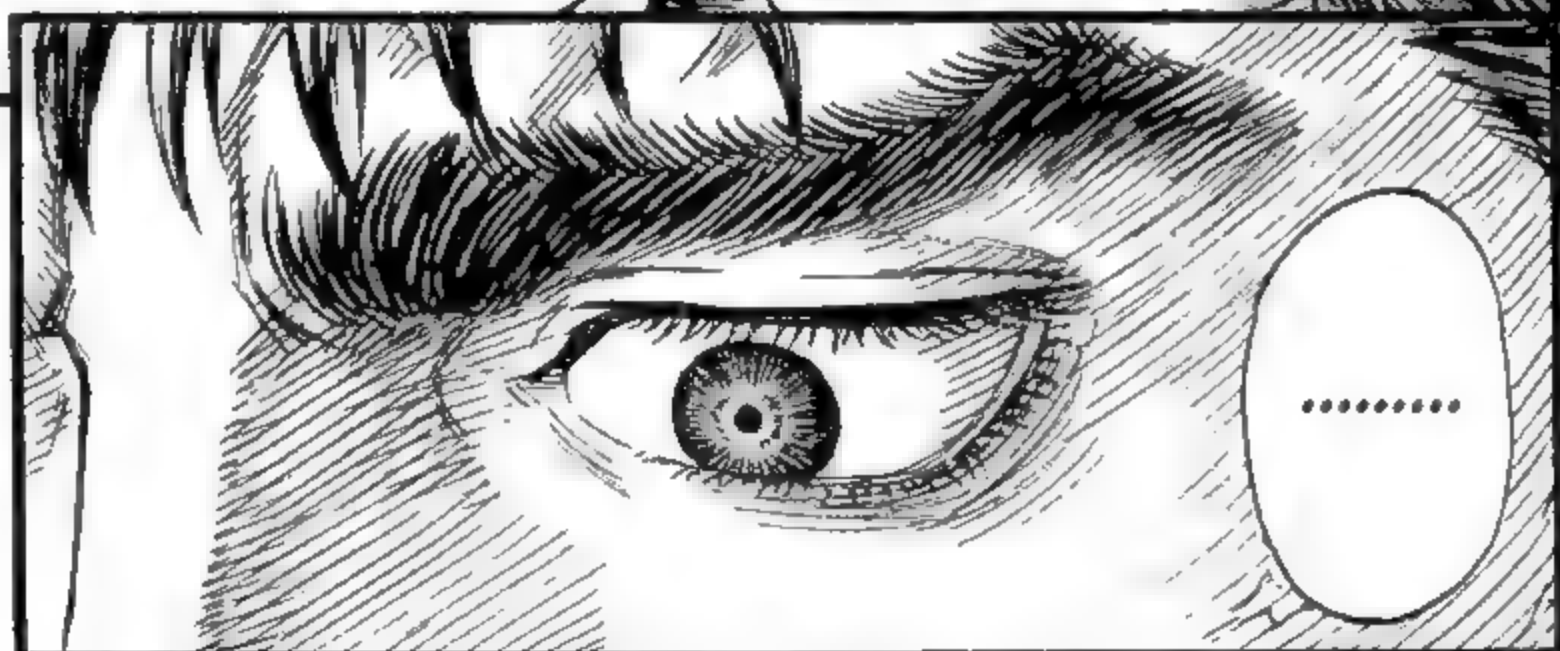
ZHZHAAAAA





WHAT'S
GOT YOU
SO DIS-
TRACTED
?

THANKS.

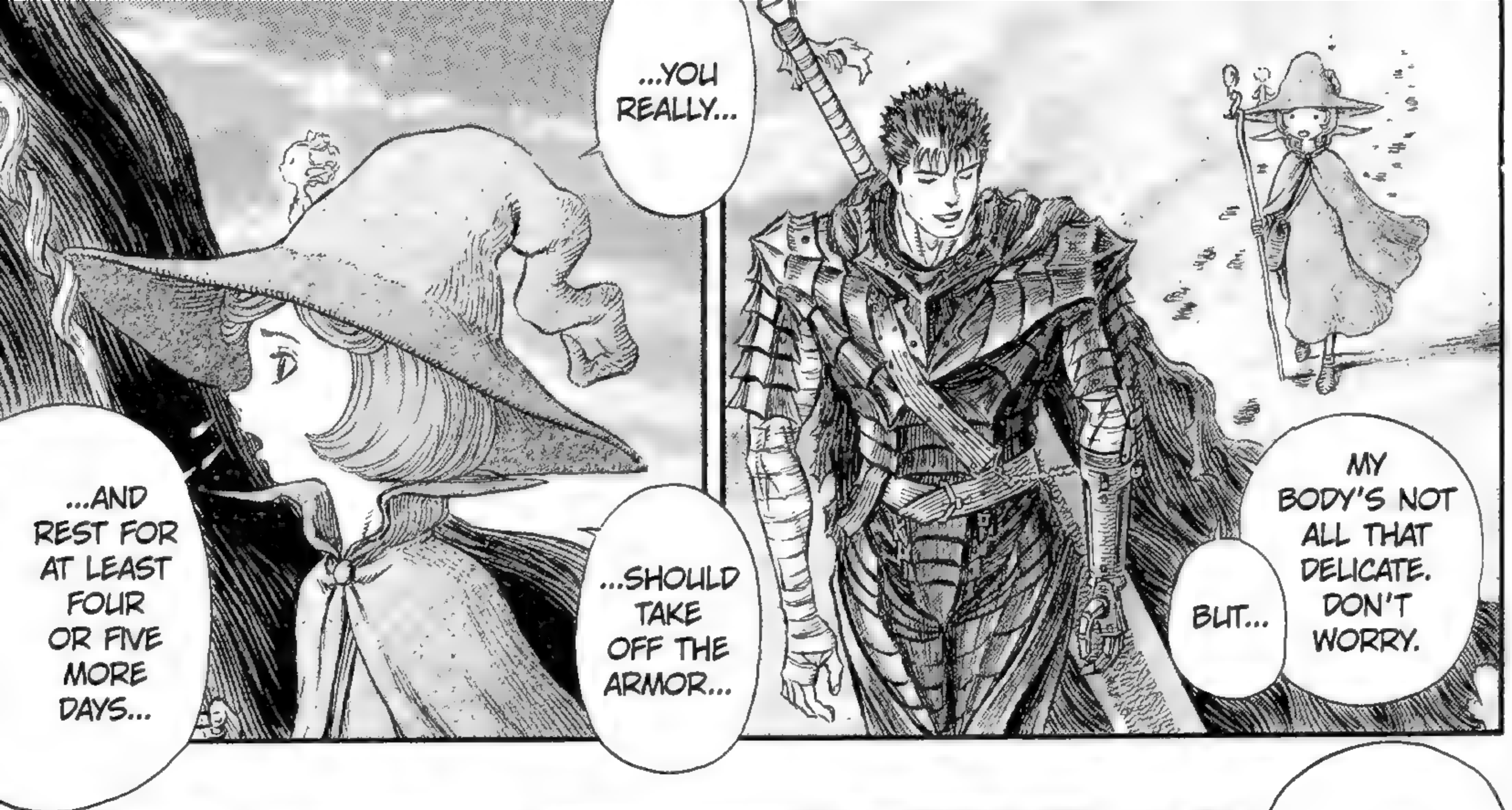


GLTS.



UH...

ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT?



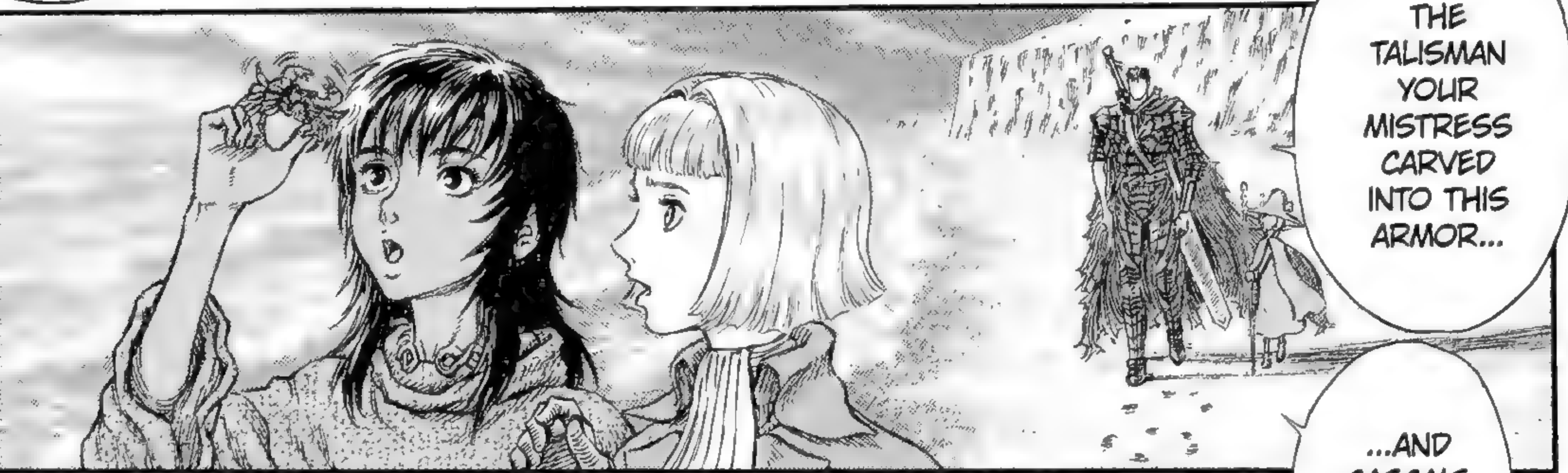
...AND
REST FOR
AT LEAST
FOUR
OR FIVE
MORE
DAYS...

...YOU
REALLY...

...SHOULD
TAKE
OFF THE
ARMOR...

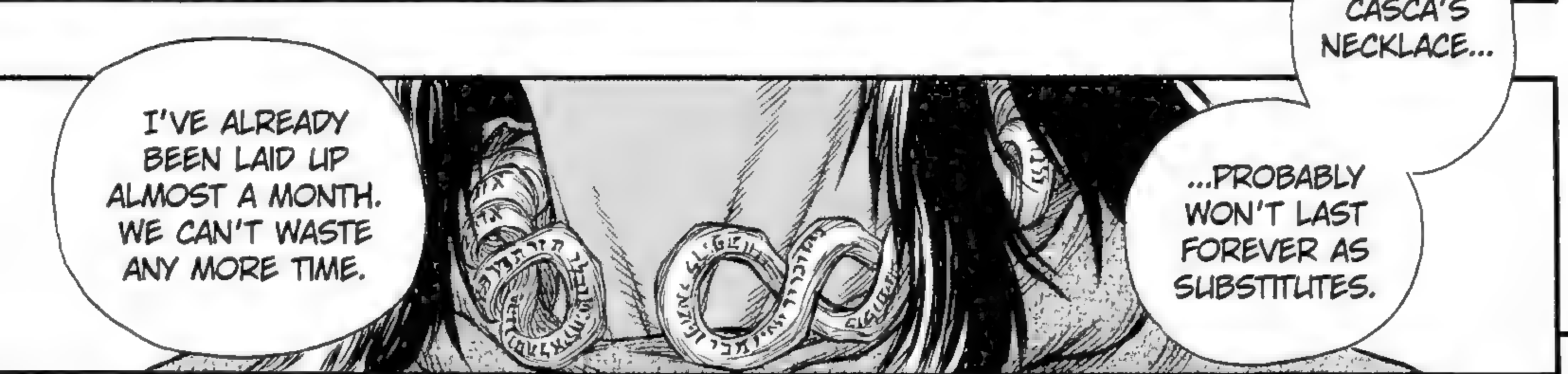
BUT...

MY
BODY'S NOT
ALL THAT
DELICATE.
DON'T
WORRY.



THE
TALISMAN
YOUR
MISTRESS
CARVED
INTO THIS
ARMOR...

...AND
CASCA'S
NECKLACE...



I'VE ALREADY
BEEN LAID UP
ALMOST A MONTH.
WE CAN'T WASTE
ANY MORE TIME.

...PROBABLY
WON'T LAST
FOREVER AS
SUBSTITUTES.



EVEN THE
WOUNDS'RE A
LOT BETTER
THANKS TO
YOUR STRONG
MEDICINE AND
THE BUGS.

THE PAIN
DEFINITELY
DOESN'T FADE
AS MUCH AS IT
DOES WHEN I'M
FIGHTING, BUT
STILL, THANKS TO
THIS THING, OUR
JOURNEY WON'T
BE DELAYED.

WHADDA
YA MEAN,
"BUGS"
PLURAL?!
DON'T LUMP ME
WITH THAT
CHESTNUT
RUNT!





IT APPEARS!

YOU'RE SO MEAN.

DO NOT BE NEGLIGENT. THAT ARMOR IS CURSED... YOU COULD END UP GOING BERSERK IN BATTLE AGAIN...

BUT NOW I'VE GOT A RELIABLE MAGIC USER.



AHHH, STICKY!!!

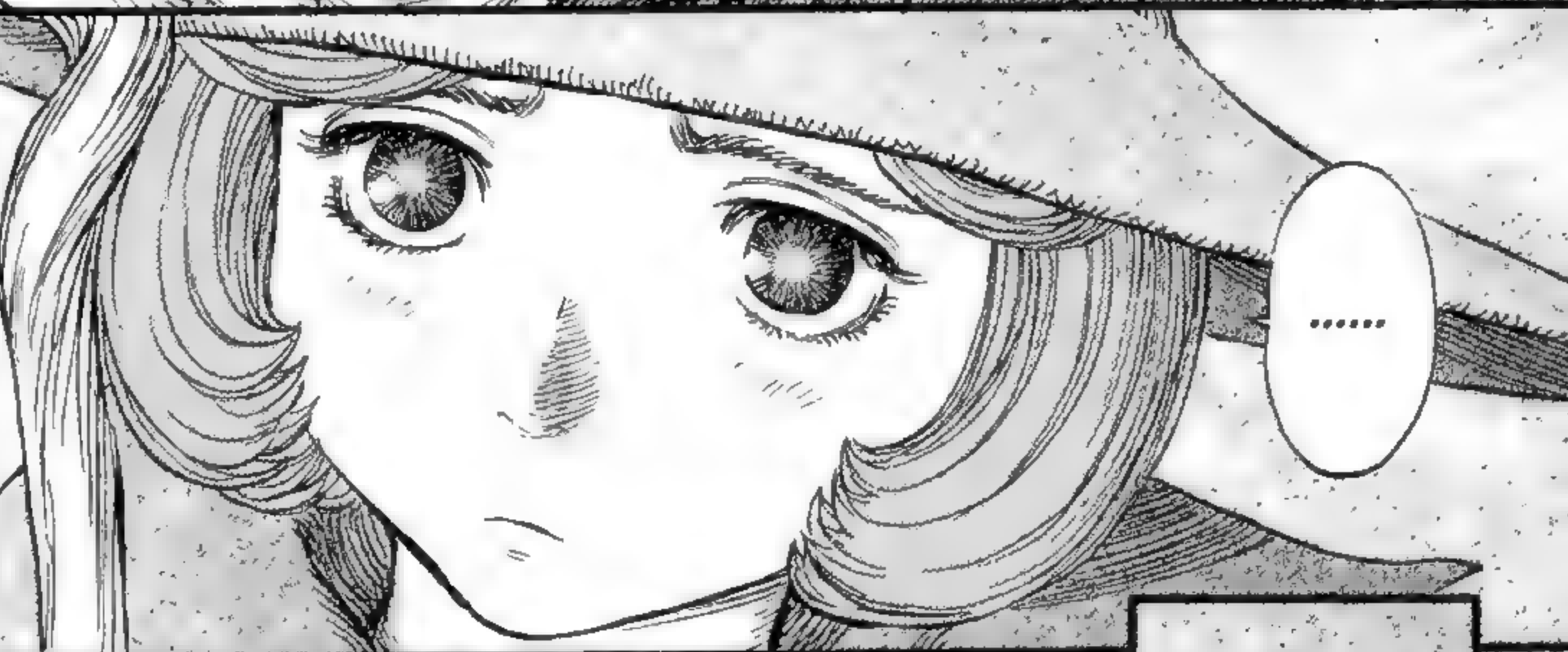
*STICKY CLING

へたた

WE'RE BOTH ELVES HERE. HAVE SOME STICKY CLING, EVIL AIRHEAD-ED-ED.



.....



BUT...

THE ARMOR ATE INTO HIS BODY FOR DAYS, UNABLE TO BE REMOVED, AND THE BLEEDING CONTINUED...

IT REALLY WAS DREADFUL AFTER THAT BATTLE.

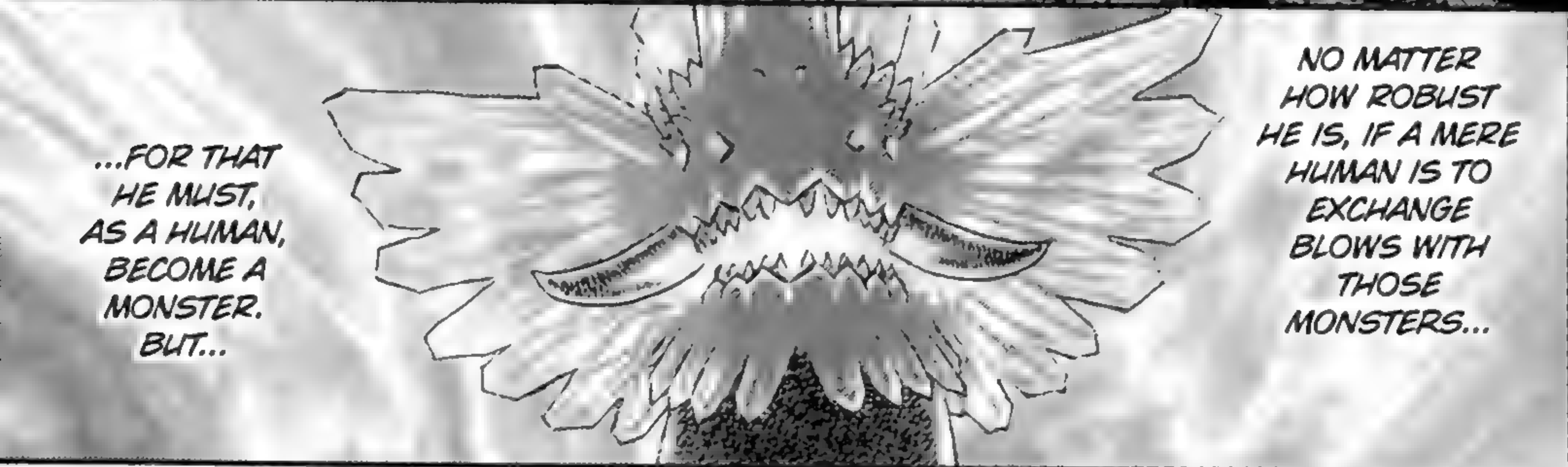
...I KNOW IT'S RASH.





EACH TIME,
THE WOUNDS
WOULD AGAIN
OPEN.

WHEN WE
FINALLY
REMOVED IT,
THE SHARP
PAIN MADE HIM
REPEATEDLY
SLIP IN AND
OUT OF CON-
SCIOUSNESS.



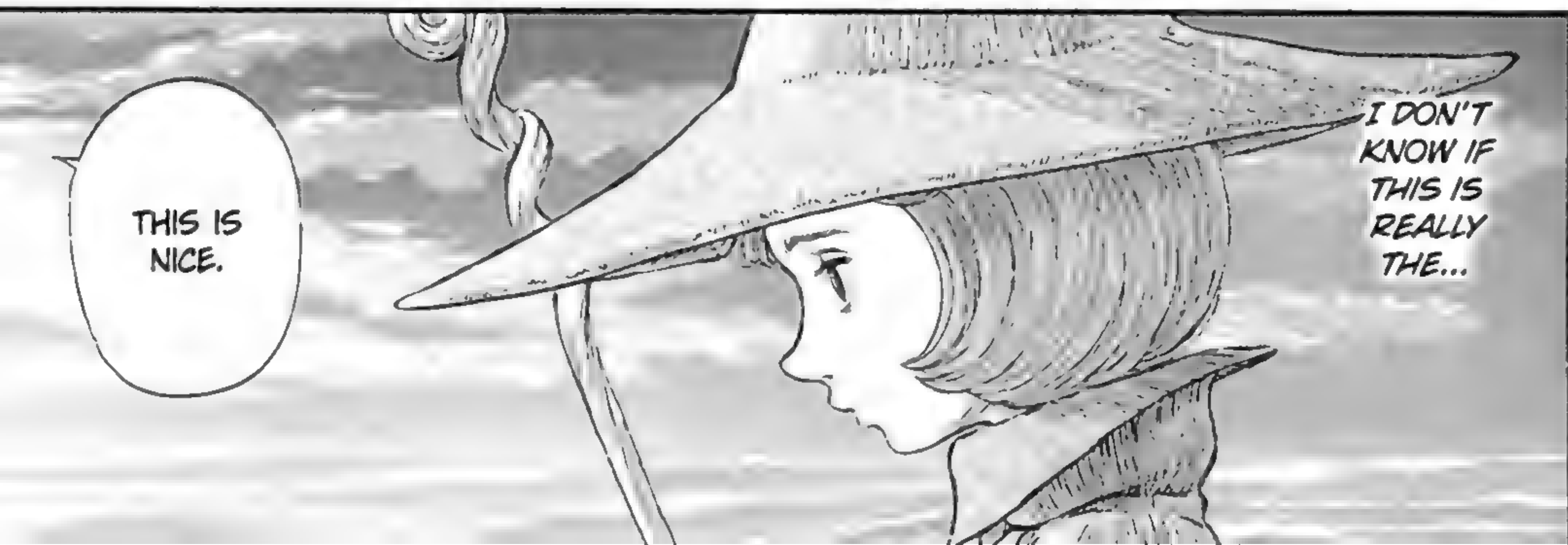
...FOR THAT
HE MUST,
AS A HUMAN,
BECOME A
MONSTER.
BUT...

NO MATTER
HOW ROBUST
HE IS, IF A MERE
HUMAN IS TO
EXCHANGE
BLOWS WITH
THOSE
MONSTERS...



NO,
EVEN NOW HIS
SURVIVAL'S NOT
GUARANTEED...

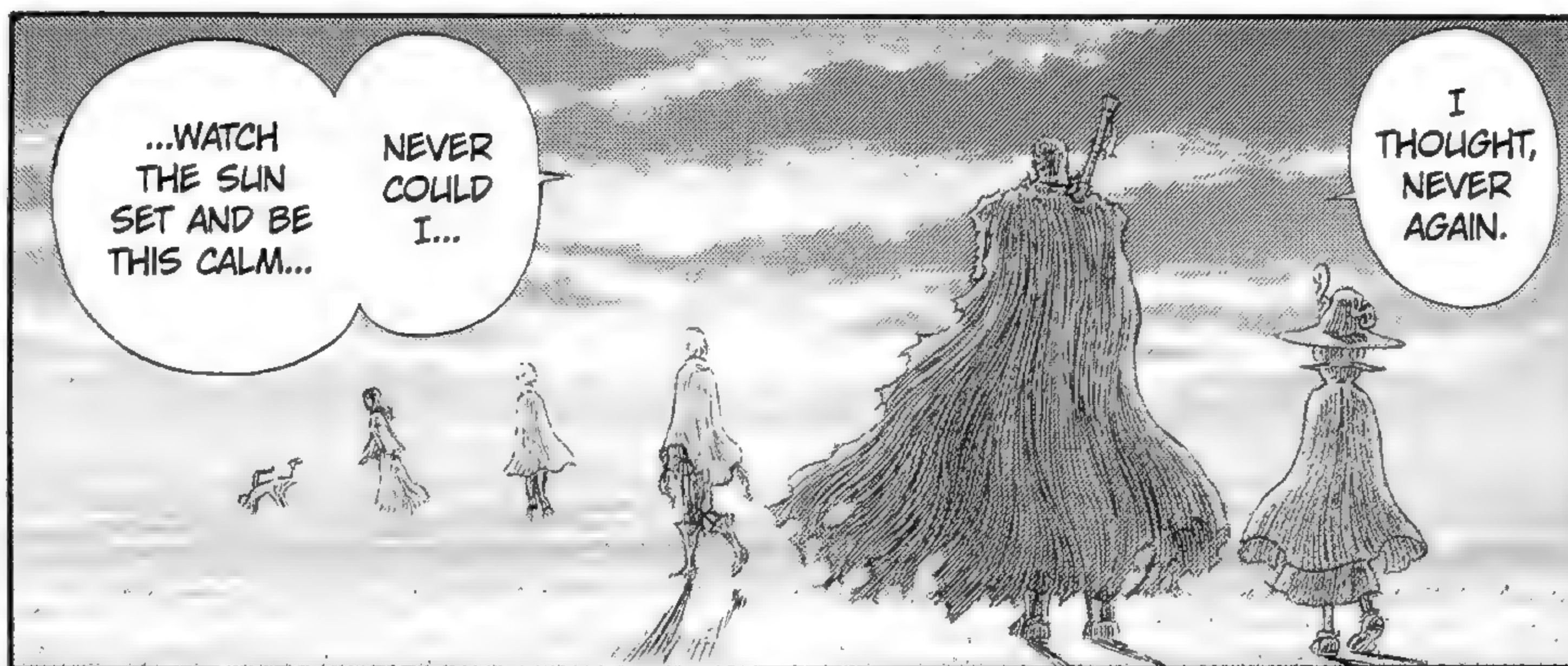
THAT TIME IN
QLIPHOTH...
IF SOME-
THING LIKE
THAT
HAPPENED
AGAIN...



THIS IS
NICE.

I DON'T
KNOW IF
THIS IS
REALLY
THE...

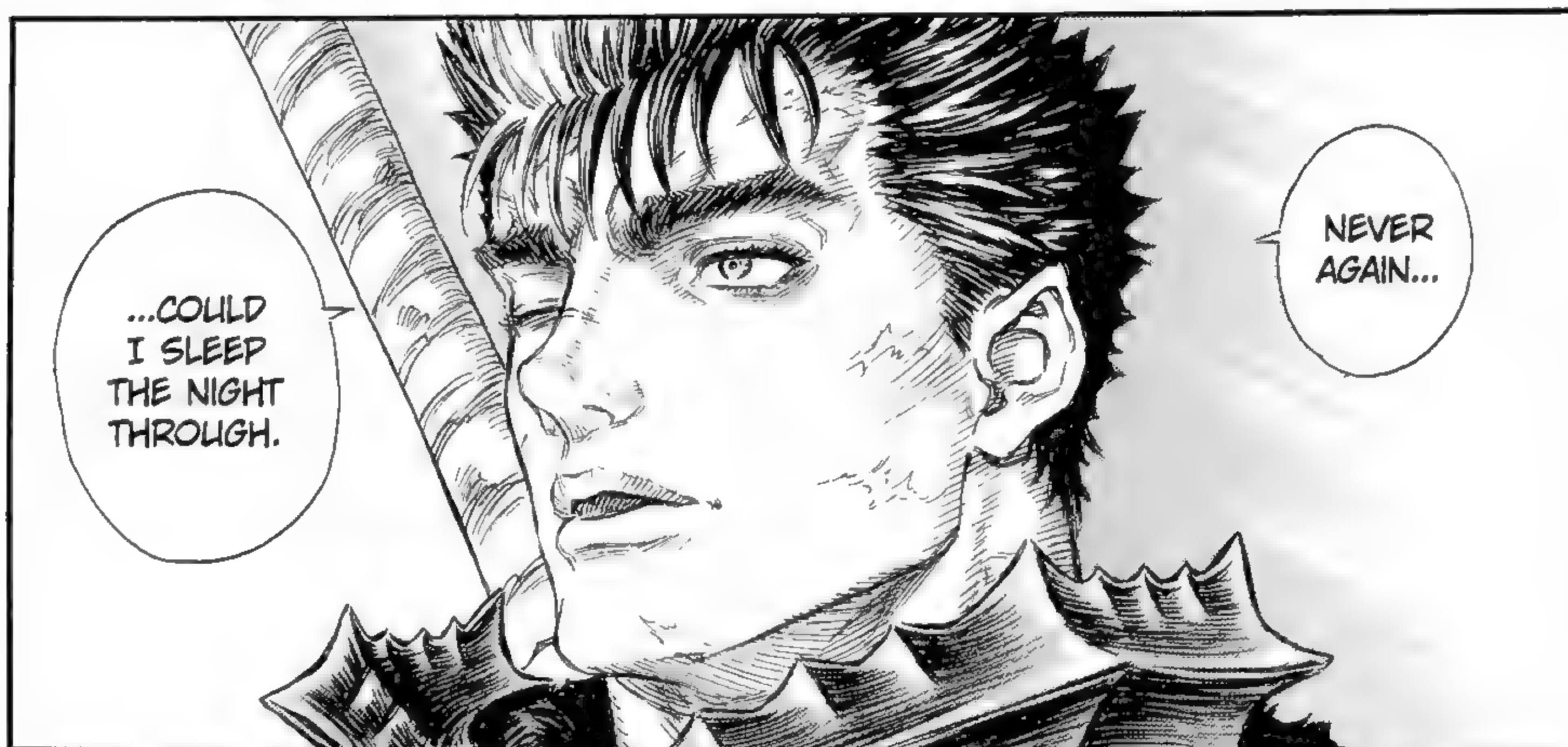




...WATCH
THE SUN
SET AND BE
THIS CALM...

NEVER
COULD
I...

I
THOUGHT,
NEVER
AGAIN.



...COULD
I SLEEP
THE NIGHT
THROUGH.

NEVER
AGAIN...



LET US
FEND OFF
THE SEA
BREEZE
UP THERE
FOR THE
NIGHT.

EVERY-
ONE.



.....



CAN HE
STILL
SWING
THAT
SWORD?

HE'S
LOST
WEIGHT



*FX: PLEP



YOU
HAVE MADE
PROGRESS,
BUT YOU
STILL MUST
NOT PUSH
YOURSELF.

YEAH,
I FEEL
A LOT
BETTER.

BOVILLA-
BAISSE-
STILE
SEAFOOD
NABE.

LOOKS
GOOD
WHAT
IS IT?

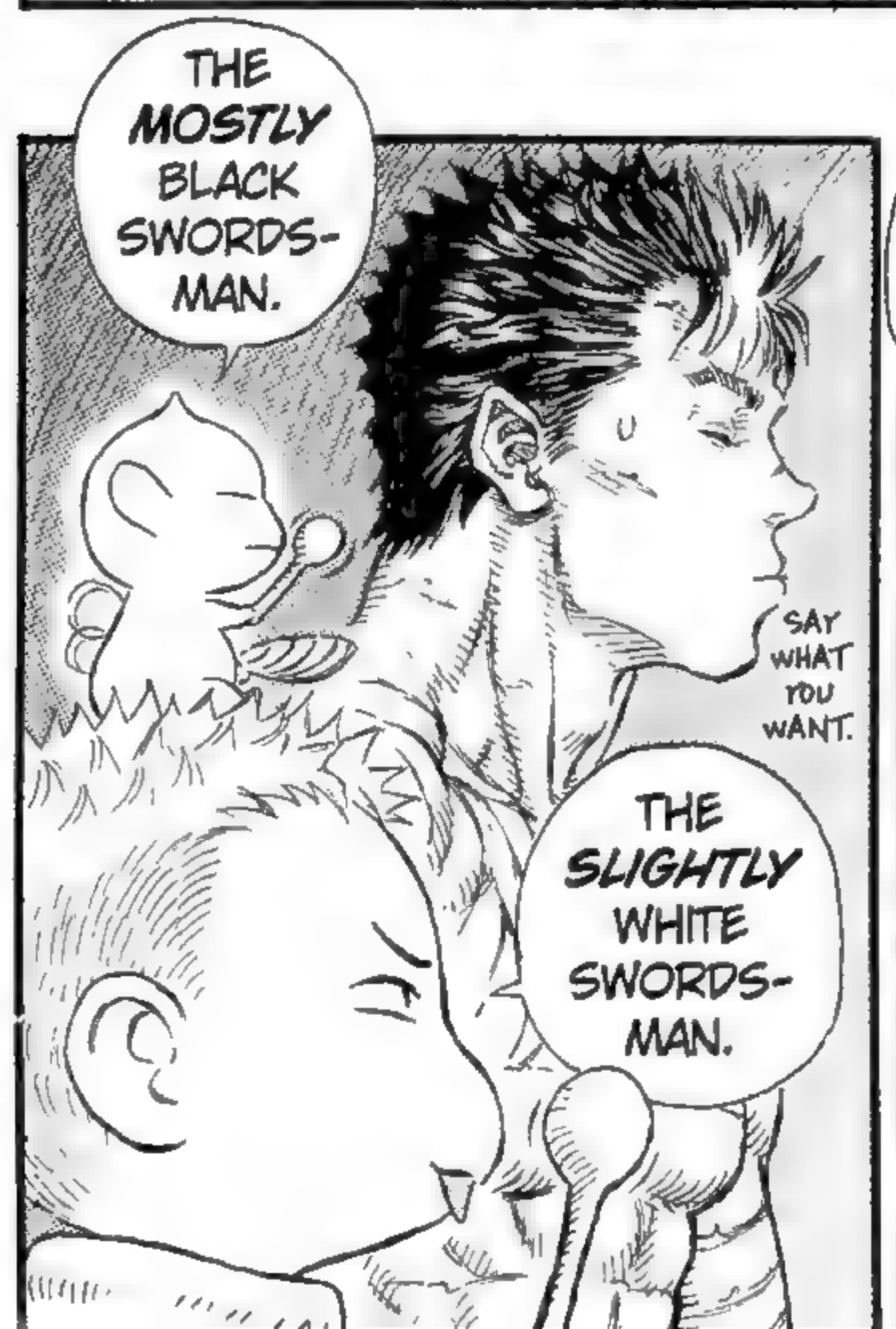
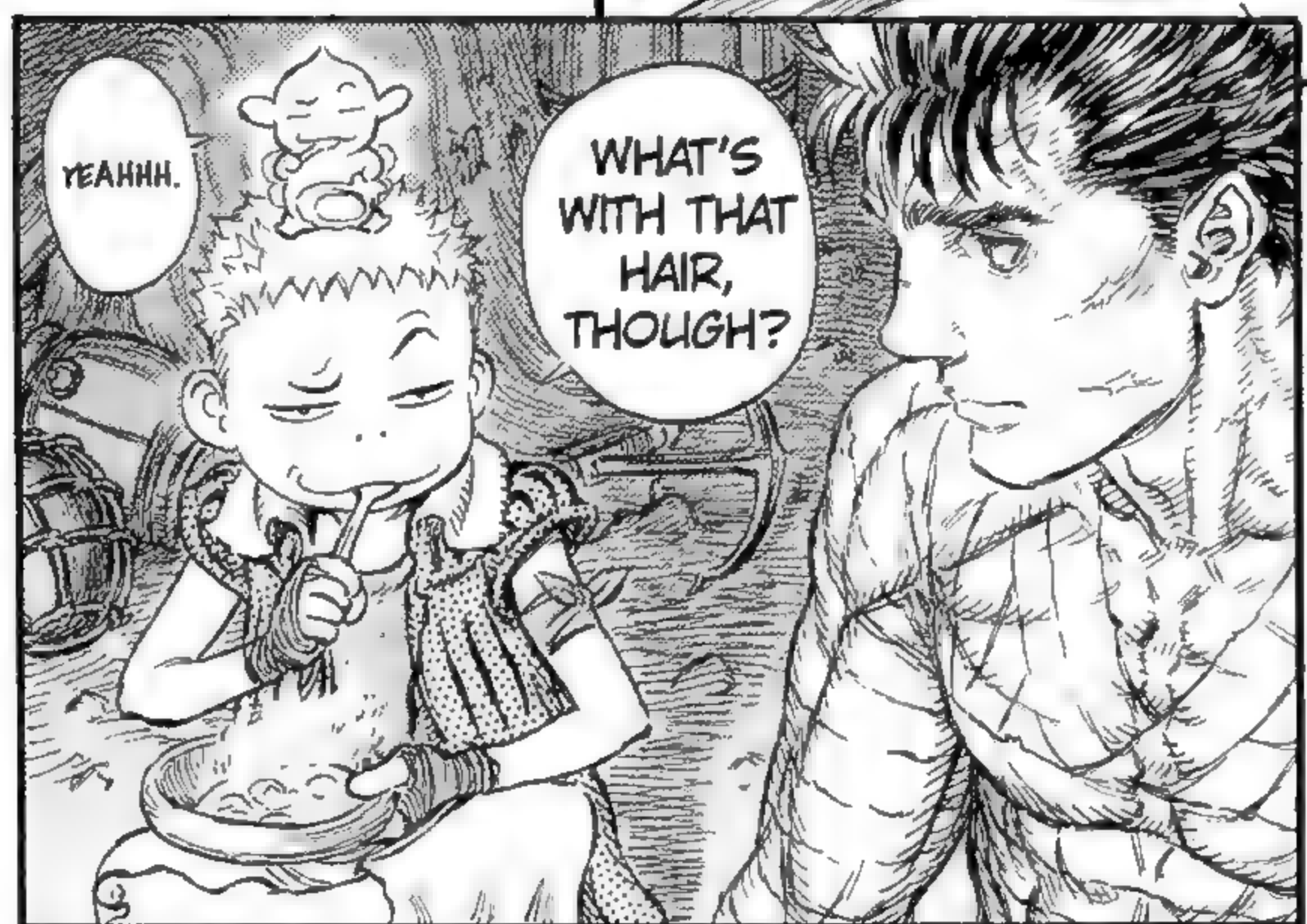
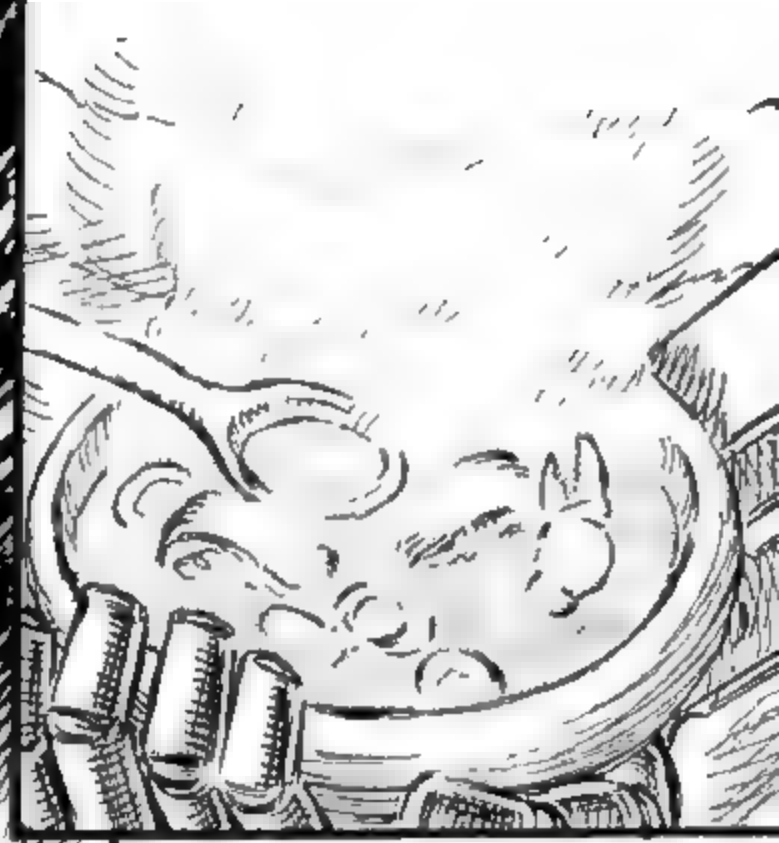


IN ADDITION,
IF THE SEA
BREEZE BLOWS
OVER HIM...
DESPITE IT
BEING NIGHT,
HE WON'T
BE ABLE TO
SLEEP.

BE
THANKFUL

HE
SHRIVELS
UP DAILY

I LIE.
THE
WOUNDS
HAVEN'T
CLOSED
MUCH ON
THIS
JOURNEY.



NOT BAD.
YOU'RE
A HANDY
GLY.

THAT
TAKES CARE OF
YOUR CLOTHING
MAKEOVER
FOR NOW. YOUR
EQUIPMENT
LAYOUT IS NOW
ALTERED WITH
EASE OF USE
IN MIND.

...WHAT
KINDA PLACE
IS YOUR
HOMELAND,
ANYWAY?

'N SO...

FWUUU

FWUUU

IF
I MAY
SAY...

IT'S
BAR-
BARIC.
TASTY,
THOUGH...

THESE
CRAB AND
SHELLFISH
CORPSES'RE
PRETTY
GOOD.
CLAMIBALISM
♡

I HAVE
HEARD
OF IT
FROM MY
MISTRESS.

IT'S
SWARMIN'
WITH GLYS
LIKE YOU,
RIGHT?
ELFHELL!

**NOT
HELL!
ELF-
HELMMM
!**

ELFHELL.

ELFHELM!
A UTOPIA AMIDST THE
SEA, FAR TO THE WEST.
THE FLOWERS BLOSSOM,
THE BIRDS SING, AND THE
ELVES DANCE THE DAY
AWAY, ET CETERA.

LIKE THE FOREST
OF THE SPIRIT
TREE, IT BELONGS TO
THE INTERSTICE, SO
IT IS UNRECORDED IN
THAT AREA OF OCEAN,
AND REGULAR
HUMANS CANNOT
REACH IT.

ON A
LEGENDARY
ISLAND IN THE
WESTERN SEA,
AN ISLAND
CALLED
SKELLIG.

SO
LONG AS
WE HAVE
MY ELFIN
NAVIGA-
TION.

IF
IT AIN'T
RE-
CORDED...
HEY!

"Beep Beep"

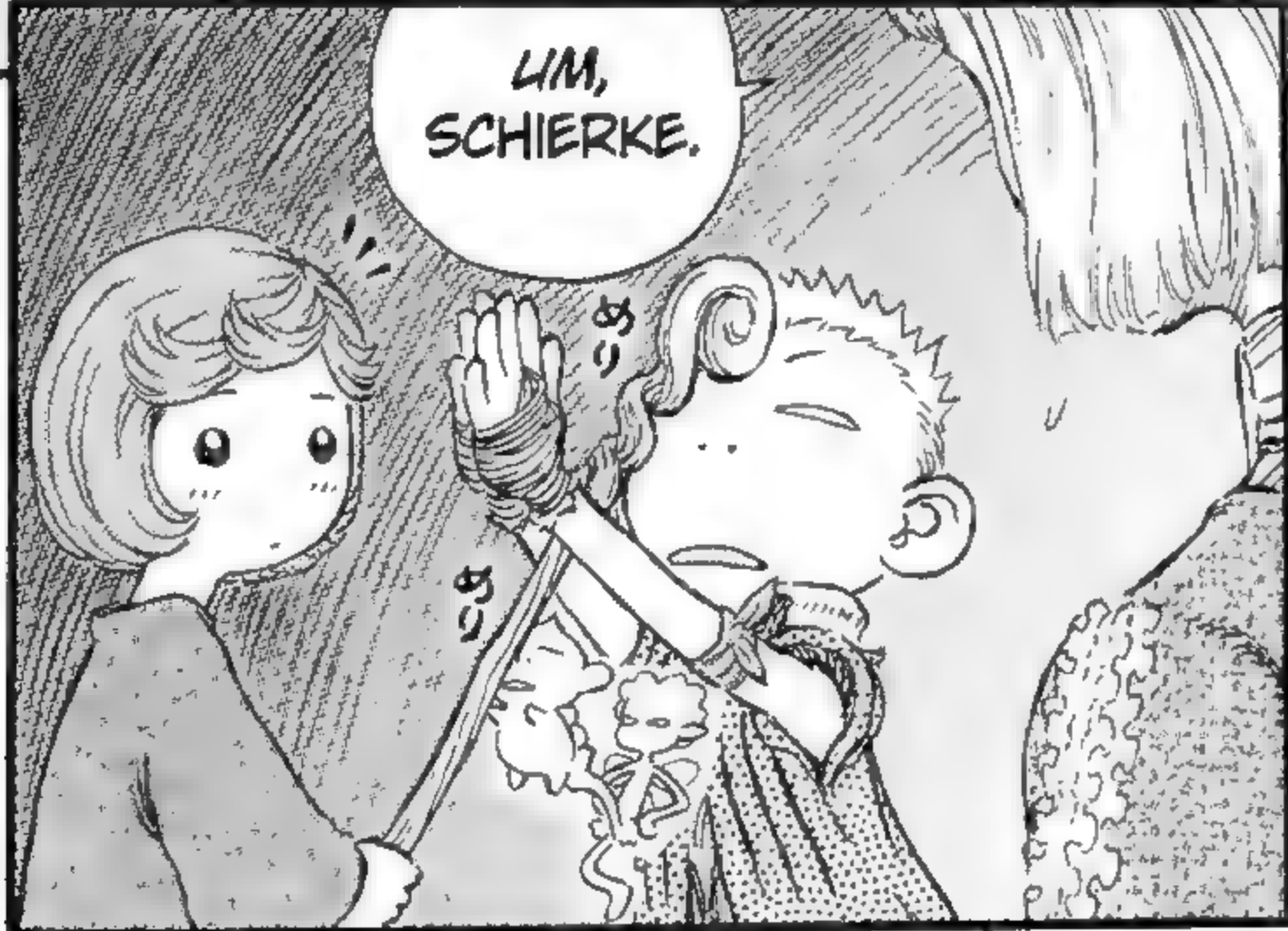
YOU
MEAN A
HOMING
INSTINCT.
LIKE A BIRD.



I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE IT ONCE WITH MY OWN EYES.

SHOW 'EM YOUR TRUE POWER!

IT IS SAID THAT MANY MAGICIANS LIVE WITH THE ELVES ON THAT ISLAND.



UM, SCHIERKE.



WHO ARE YOU TO TALK?

WON'T THEY BE THE ONES TREATIN' YOU LIKE A BUMPKIN?

THE PLACE YOU LIVED WAS QUITE NICE, BUT PRIMITIVE.

KINDA GROSS, MAYBE?

*FX: CRACK CRACK



...EARNEST REQUEST TO MAKE.

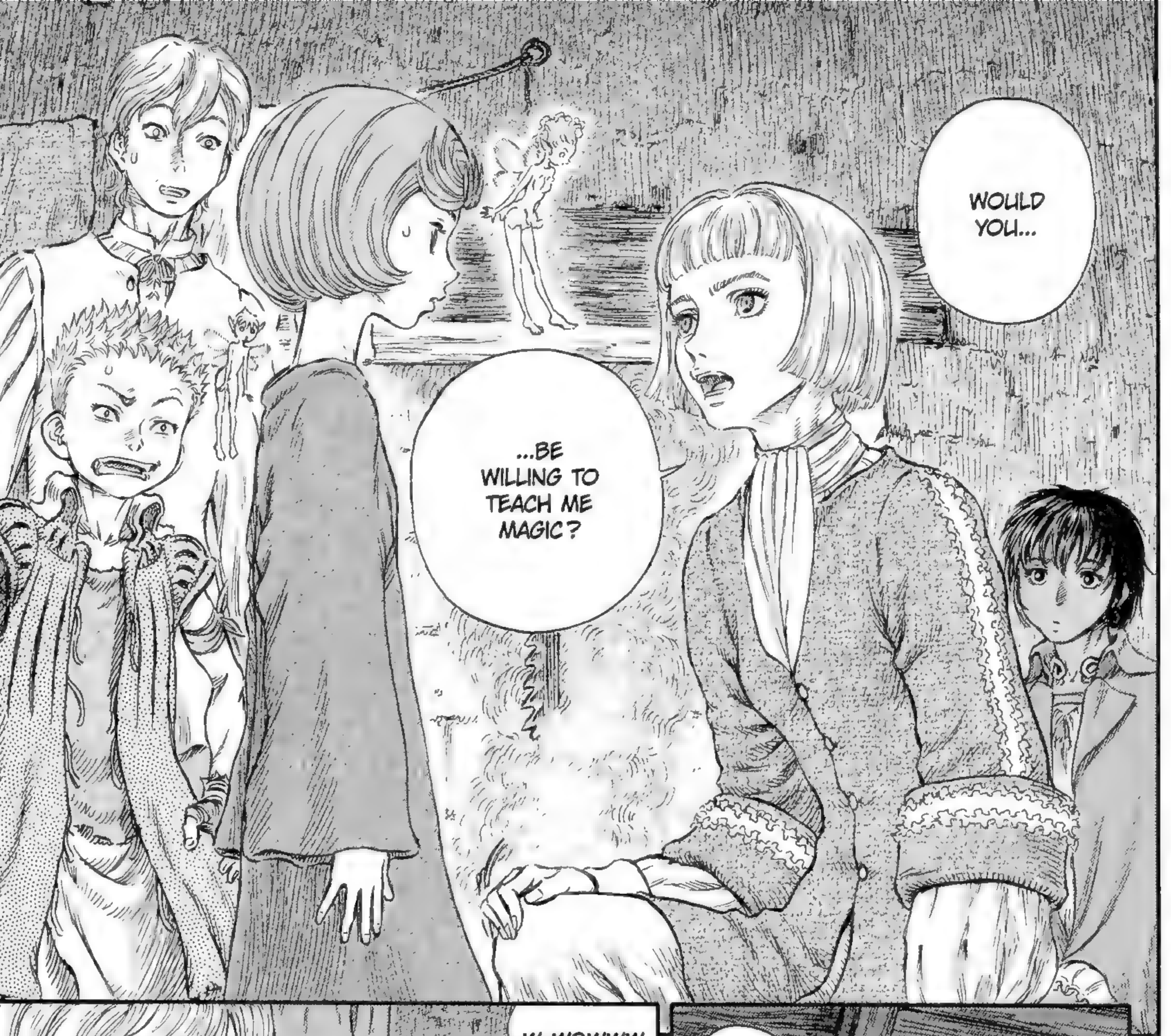
I HAVE AN...



WHAT DID YOU JUST ...?

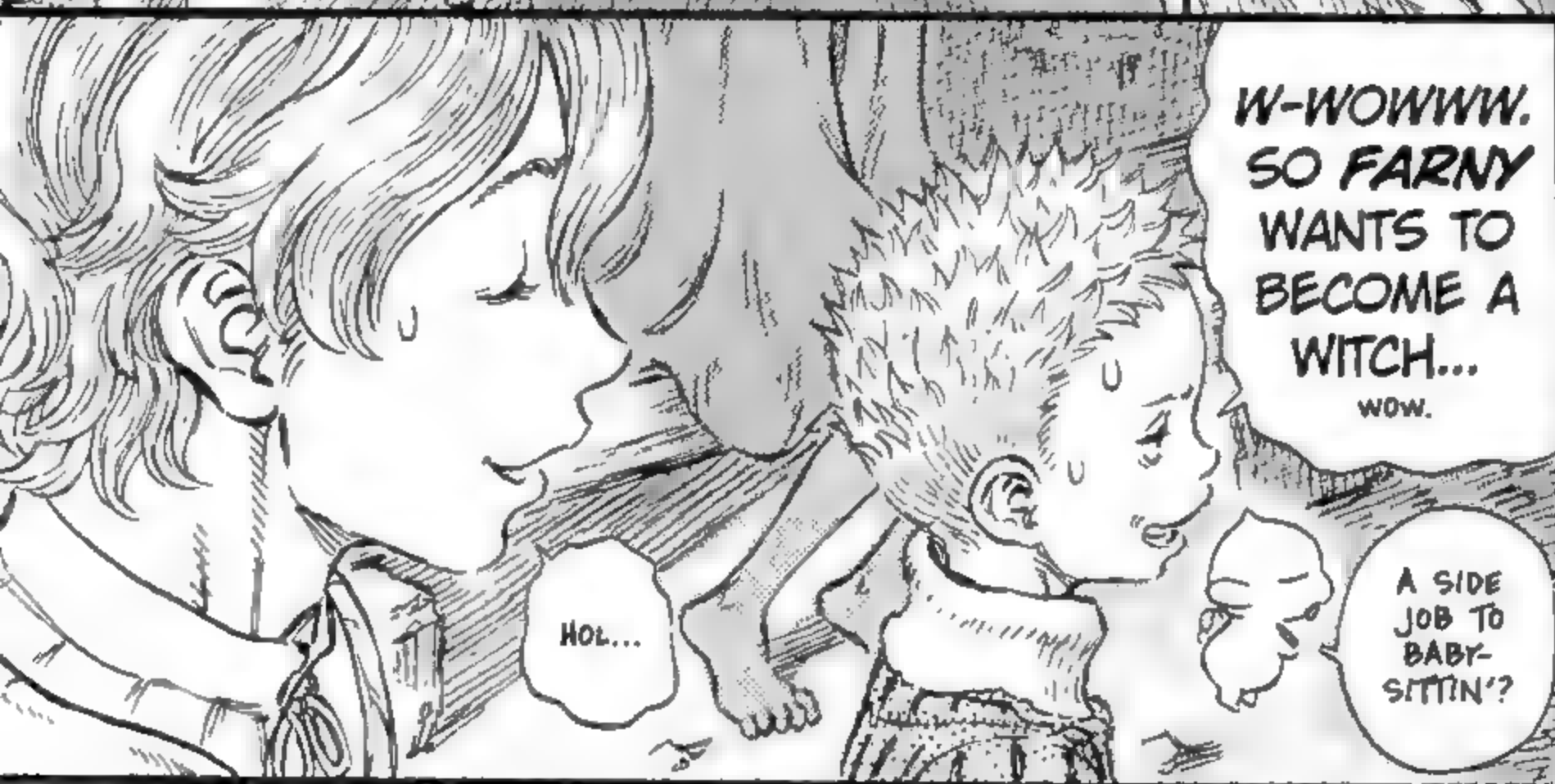
LA-LADY FARNESE ...





WOULD
YOU...

...BE
WILLING TO
TEACH ME
MAGIC?



W-WOWWWW.
SO FARNY
WANTS TO
BECOME A
WITCH...
WOW.

A SIDE
JOB TO
BABY-
SITTIN'?

HOL...



Y-YEAH,
BUT I DON'T
THINK IT'S A
GOOD IDEA FOR
A GROWN-UP TO
BE A DISCIPLE
TO THIS LITTLE
DUCKLING!

*FX: CLASP

MY,
MY.

I HAVE
BEEN
THINKING
ABOUT
IT EVER
SINCE THE
TROLLS!

HOLD
...

YOUR DIRTY
DISPOSITION'S
SHOWIN'
THROUGH,
DEAR
DISCIPLE.

UM



WHOA,
THERE...

.....

*OPEN/CLOSE

OH MY.
♡

AIN'T
YOU GOT NO
PRIDE AS AN
ARISTOCRAT
?!

PRIDE
ALONE'S
NOTHIN'.

AT ALL
THE MIRACLES
YOU CAUSED...
AT THE ART
CALLED MAGIC.

TO BE
HONEST,
MY HEART
TREMBLED
THAT TIME.
SO MUCH
DREAD...
AND
EXCITE-
MENT...

...I WAS
POWERLESS.
I JUST
HUGGED MY
KNEES AND
COWERED.

IN THIS
UNKNOWN
WORLD,
INTO WHICH
I TOOK
MY FIRST
STEPS...

WHAT
GAVE ME
THAT
COURAGE...

...WAS
CASCA,
AND...

...THE MAGIC
DAGGER I
GOT FROM
YOU!

BUT WHEN
THE TIME CAME
THAT I HAD
TO PROTECT
SOMEONE,
EVEN ONE
SUCH AS I...

RIGHT...

R...

SPOOKY
EYES!!

TO ME,
THE DAGGER
WAS UNDE-
NIABLY
MAGICAL.

IT'S KINDA
STARTIN'
TO SOUND
LIKE
FLATTERY.

EVERY-
THIN'
SHE SAYS
IS EXAG-
GERATED.

BUT...
THAT IS
JUST A
SILVER
KNIFE,
SO...

...ACCEPT
THE GREAT
MYSTERIES...

...THEN
PLEASE,
I ASK
YOU TO
IMPART IT
TO ME.

IF THERE IS
A LIGHT OF
REASON THAT
ILLUMINATES
THE UNKNOWN
DARKNESS...

...OF THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD
BEFORE
THEIR EYES,
AND THOSE
PREJUDICES
BECOME
HARDER TO
ABOLISH.

THAT IS
BECAUSE,
MORE THAN
ANY OTHER
REASON, AS
A PERSON
AGES, THEY
BECOME
BOUND BY
THE WORLD
VIEW...

THIS
IS NO
SHOW.

HEY!

*FX: LICK

...CAN
REMEMBER
A TIME
WHEN THEY
DID NOT
STUDY IT.

IT IS SAID
THAT MAGIC
IS QUITE
UNMASTER-
ABLE IF
ONE...

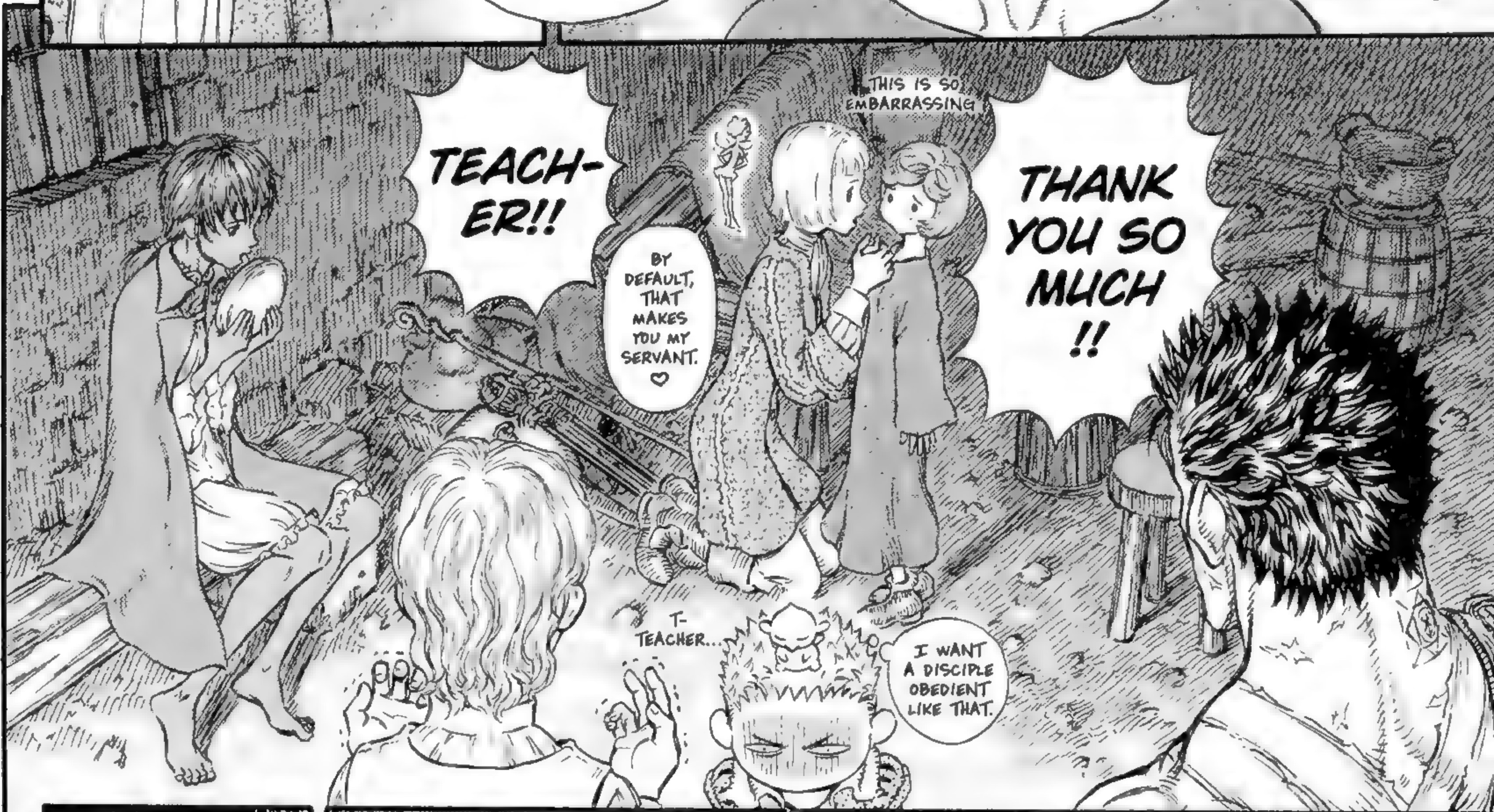


...SO
THAT DOES
NOT SEEM
TO BE A
CONCERN.

BUT...

I AM STILL
IN TRAINING
MYSELF,
BUT I THINK
I CAN AT
LEAST TEACH
THE BASICS.

...YOU
HAVE
BEEN
THROUGH
SOME
THOR-
OUGHLY
DREADFUL
EXPERI-
ENCES...



TEACH-
ER!!

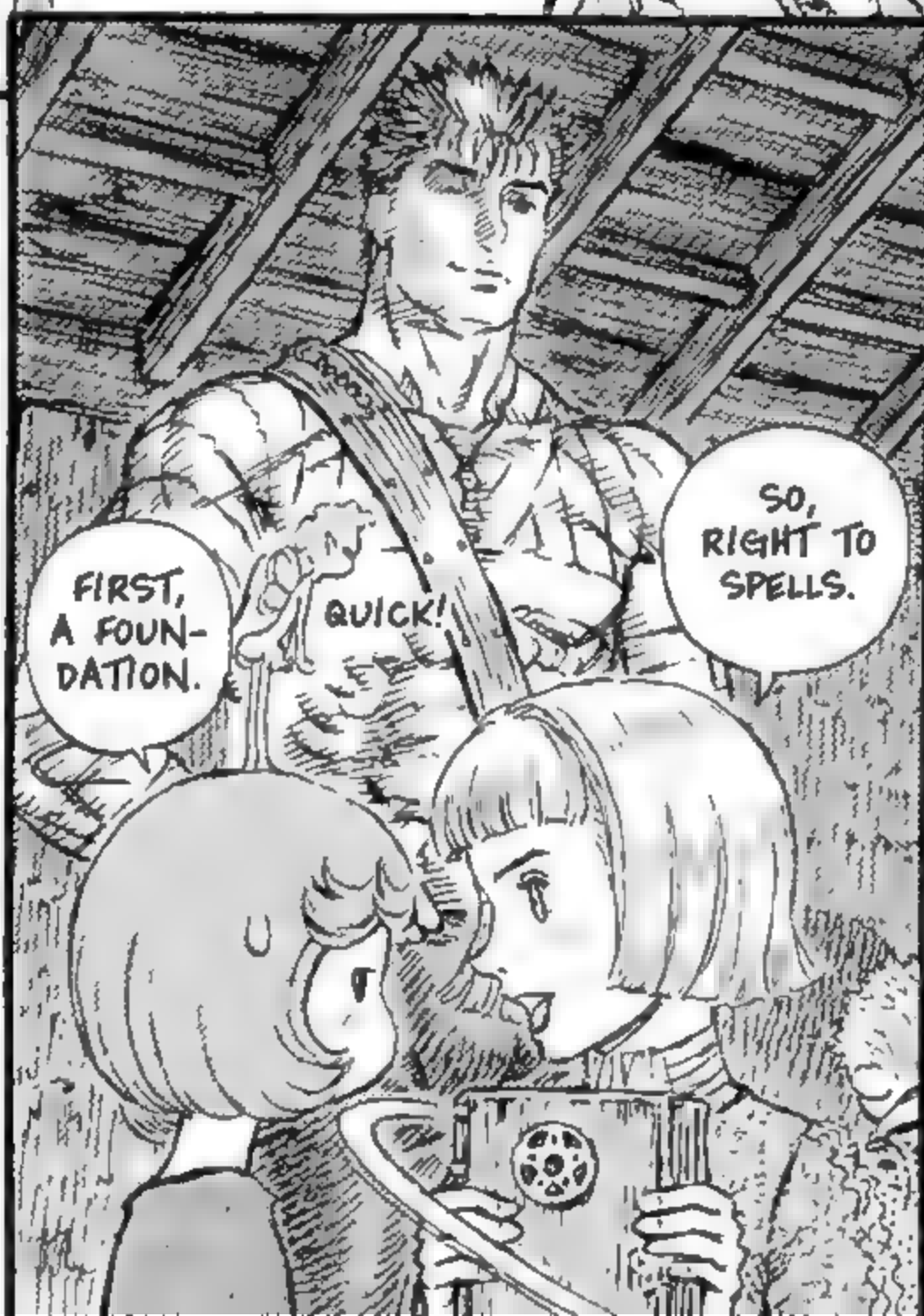
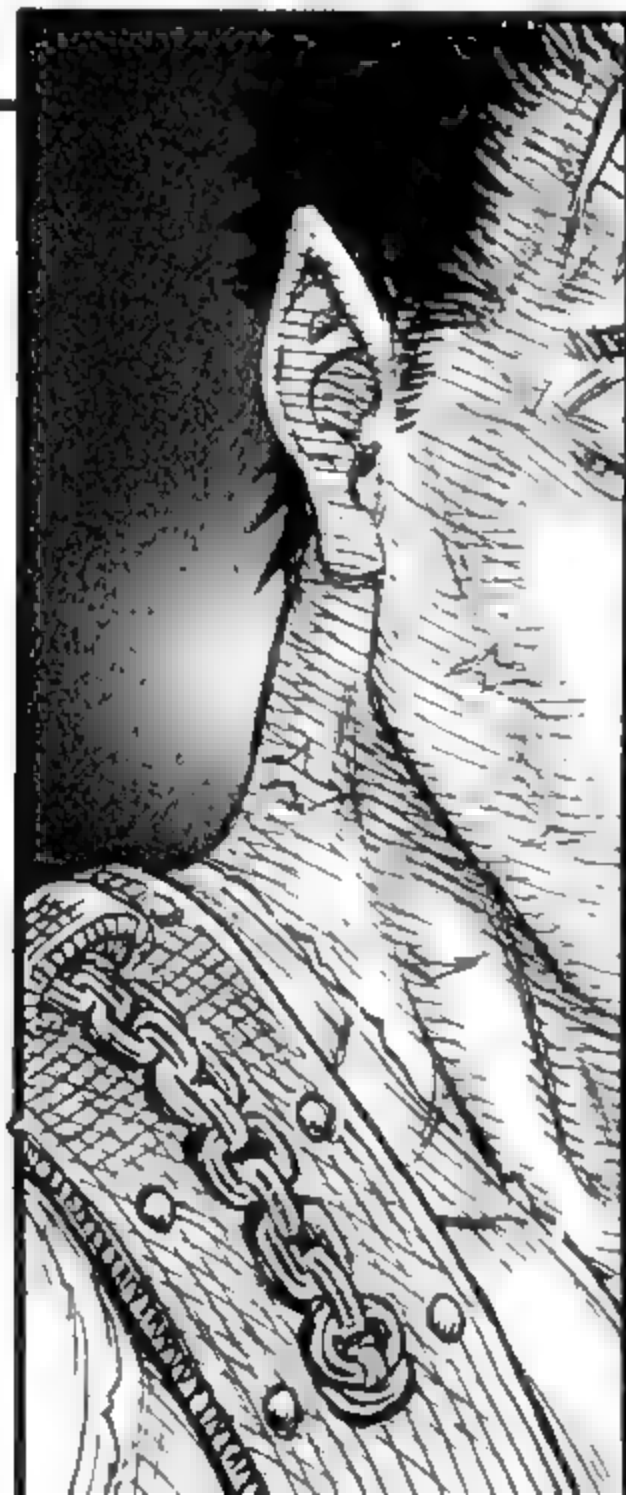
THIS IS SO
EMBARRASSING

THANK
YOU SO
MUCH
!!

BY
DEFAULT,
THAT
MAKES
YOU MY
SERVANT.
♡

T-
TEACHER...

I WANT
A DISCIPLE
OBEDIENT
LIKE THAT.



FIRST,
A FOUN-
DATION.

QUICK!

SO,
RIGHT TO
SPELLS.



L-L-LADY
FARNESE...
W-W-
WITCH...

ZWA
GGHHH!

THE WITCH
HUNTER,
A WITCH.

...BLE

MUM...

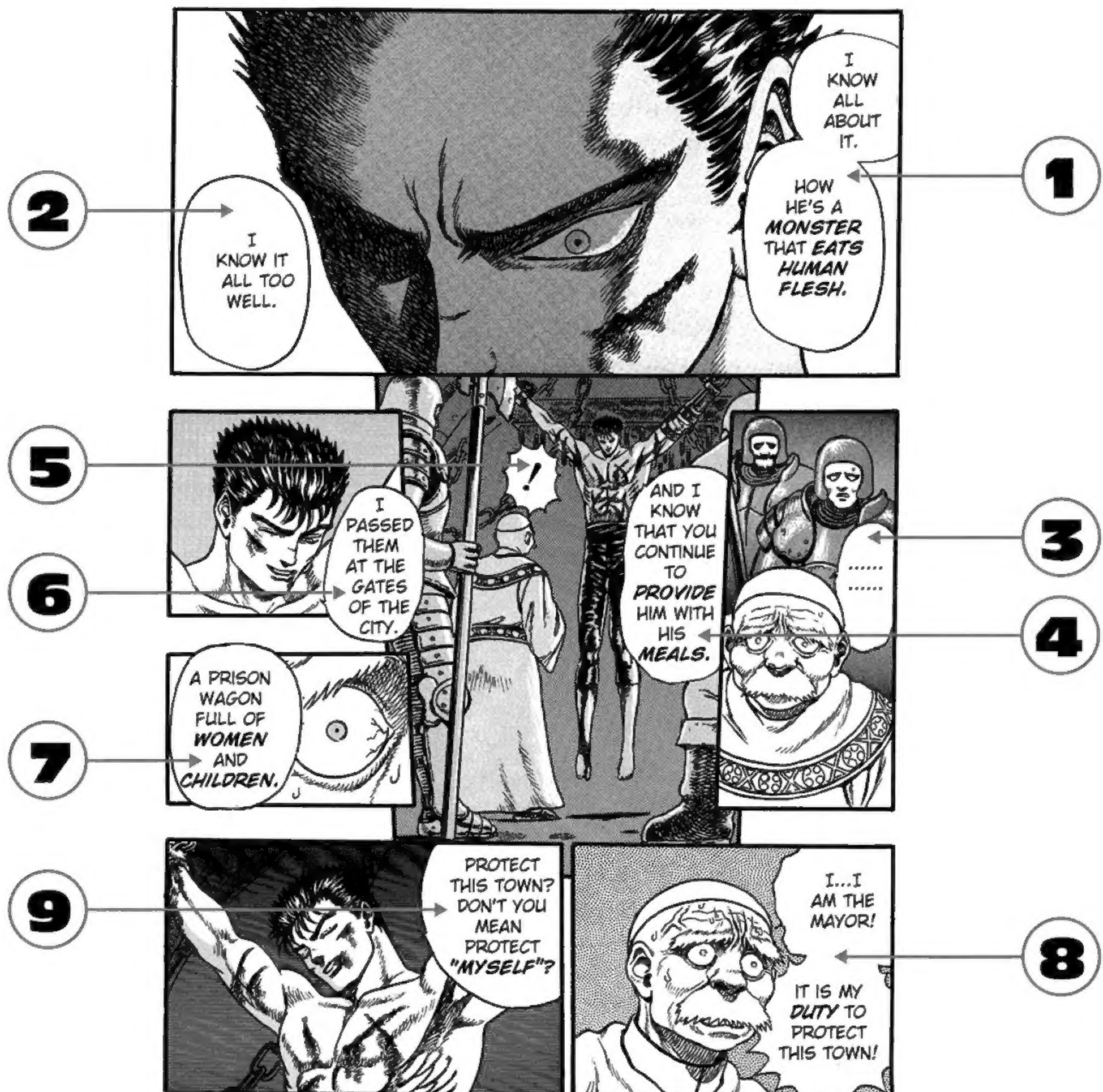


BERSERK

! STOP

This is the back of the book!

This manga collection is translated into English but oriented in right-to-left reading format at the creator's request, maintaining the artwork's visual orientation as originally published in Japan. If you've never read manga in this way before, take a look at the diagram below to give yourself an idea of how to go about it. Basically, you'll be starting in the upper right corner and will read each balloon and panel moving right to left. It may take some getting used to, but you should get the hang of it very quickly. Have fun!



COMICS & GRAPHIC NOVELS / MANGA / HORROR

BERSERK

**KENTARO
MIURA**

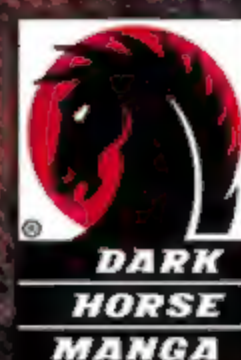
27

三浦建太郎

Now equipped with the mystical Berserker Armor, Guts fights on against the dragon form of Grunbeld and his legion of fanatic apostle soldiers. But the very armor that holds Guts together—in a nightmarishly literal sense—might be the last straw that tears his tortured mind apart. While Guts struggles to hold his own against his inner demons, monsters of a very different sort rally in Windham as the Kushan Emperor, Ganishka, and the newly reborn Griffith rally their forces in a head-to-head struggle for control of all of Midland. But when the dust finally settles, there may be little left of the kingdom to claim!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is a pounding manga sledgehammer, a captivating combination of blistering action, brazen horror, and bug-house humor that proves beyond doubt that whom the gods would destroy, they first make *Berserk*!

This collection is translated into English but oriented in right-to-left reading format, as originally published.



**FOR READERS 18+
FOR MATURE
READERS**